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Ford, Carter advocate direct talks with PLO but Haig stands by policy

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (Agencies) — As former U.S. Presidents Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter said in an unprecedented joint interview that the United States should have to open direct discussions with the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) to advance Middle East peace prospects, Secretary of State Alexander Haig said the U.S. policy with regard to PLO "is unchanged."

Haig was reacting to a statement the former presidents gave to journalists aboard the jet bringing them back from Sadat's funeral in Cairo.

A transcript of the interview by the former presidents was issued by the White House Sunday. On the PLO issue, Ford said: "At some point, the United States will have to talk to the PLO."

Both men said that some Arabs to whom they had spoken said privately they hoped that the peace process would continue. "They have decided they cannot support Camp David. But they are for a continuation of the process," Ford said.

They also expressed hope that Arab leaders could help in the new steps to accelerate the Middle East peace process.

Haig, back in Washington after attending Sadat's funeral, said, "The PLO is completely familiar with the U.S. position relating to their participation in the peace process. There has been no change in this policy."

Vice-President George Bush said last week that the United States would not dialogue with the PLO until the organization formally recognized Israel's right to exist. In Beirut, a senior PLO official said the



Alexander Haig

PLO has no interest in dialogue with the United States as proposed by Ford and Carter.

Yasser Abed Rabbo, a member of the 15-man PLO executive committee, told Reuters: "Such individual views do not interest us at all. These statements are only meant to cover up the real policy of the current U.S. administration, which has as its primary aim the liquidation of the PLO and the national rights of the Palestinian people."

He added: "We do not want to enter into a dialogue with the U.S. and we are not seeking one... what is required is not a dialogue but abolishing Camp David and the Egyptian-Israeli treaty and recognizing our people's rights."

Meanwhile, the Israeli government unofficially made known its displeasure Monday at statements by Ford and Carter.

A statement in Tel Aviv distributed to reporters by government officials who refused to be identified said the remarks by Ford and Carter were "especially inappropriate coming so soon after the PLO expressed joy over the assassination of President Anwar Sadat."

The officials said in reply to questions that they insisted on anonymity because their government did not wish to issue formal reactions to statements by out-of-office U.S. personalities.

As party session begins today

Thatcher to be firm with opponents

BLACKPOOL, Oct. 12 (R) — British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher will take a firm stand against growing dissent in her Conservative Party at its annual conference this week, party sources said Monday.

She will reject demands, led by former Prime Minister Edward Heath, for a change in her stringent economic strategy which has allowed unemployment to reach a post-war record of about three million. Some 5,000 Conservatives from all over Britain gathered in the seaside resort of Blackpool, in north west England, for the four-day annual conference which opens Tuesday.

With attacks mounting in the party on her economic policies, partly inspired by American monetarism economist Milton Friedman, the conference promises to be one of the liveliest for many years. In a major speech scheduled for Friday, regarded as one of the most important of her career, Mrs. Thatcher will issue a strong call for party unity, the sources said.

Conservatives recalled her emotional speech to last year's conference, at which she rejected demands for a policy turn with the phrase "the lady's not for turning". She won a standing ovation, although criticism was then largely confined to the opposition.

Police stepped up security surrounding the conference following Saturday's Irish guerrilla bomb blast in London which killed a woman and injured 38 persons. Detectives watching out for guerrillas visited every hotel and boarding house in the sprawling resort. Mrs. Thatcher is confident she does not have major dissension, party sources said. Conservative party officials have taken soundings and told Mrs. Thatcher she can count on traditional Conservative loyalty.

But Heath, who was ousted as party leader by Mrs. Thatcher in 1975, has been joined in his attacks by two former cabinet ministers as well as a 13-strong group of members of parliament. Norman St. John Stevas, recently dropped from the cabinet, said: "There is widespread disquiet throughout the party at the way things are going."

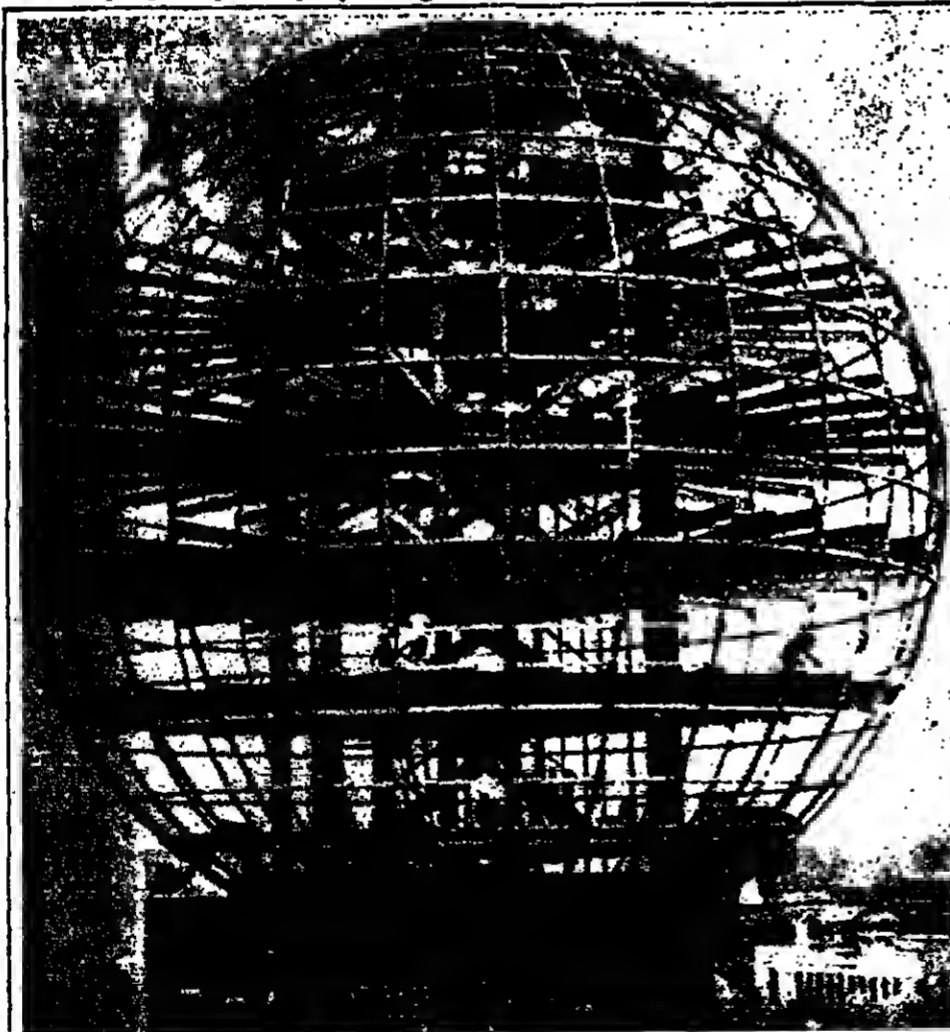
Sir Ian Gilmour, a deputy foreign secretary sacked last month, has accused Mrs. Thatcher of steering Britain "full speed ahead for the rocks." The chancellor of the exchequer (finance minister), Sir Geoffrey Howe, made clear at the weekend that the government would not drop its strategy, founded on attacking inflation through monetary control

and cuts in state spending.

Heath plans to address unofficial meetings at Blackpool but has not so far asked to speak at the conference, although party officials indicated he could do so. Mrs. Thatcher won power in May, 1979, and need not call a general election until 1984 provided she can maintain party unity. But party managers

admit privately that morale in the party is low. Unemployment is expected to reach three million next week, the highest total since records began.

Company profits, squeezed by tight money and high interest rates, have been at an historically low level and there has been a string of bankruptcies.



SUNSPHERE: A five level steel-framed globe tops the Sunisphere which is under construction in Knoxville, Tenn., for the Energy Expo '82. This edition of a world's fair, first since 1974, will open May 1, 1982. Designers of the Sunisphere are Community Tectonics Inc., architects of Knoxville and Stanley O. Lindsey and Associates, engineers of Nashville. More than 600 tons of steel have been fabricated for the project.

Regan sees interest rate fall

PARIS, Oct. 12 (R) — U.S. Treasury Secretary Donald Regan said in an interview published Monday that U.S. interest rates could drop to around 17 percent by the end of

the year compared with the present 19 percent.

He said one of the reasons for high U.S. rates, which many European critics have blamed for prolonging the world recession, was the selling by European central banks of their holdings of U.S. government securities to prop up their own currencies.

"This aggravates the problem by forcing Wall Street to keep the rates higher on these and other debt issues," Regan told Danielle Hunebelle's *International Letter*, a Paris-based monthly business publication.

"I don't want to get into a guessing game, but I would not argue against forecasts that have the prime rate down around 17 percent by the end of the year," he said.

The prime is the rate charged by banks to their best commercial customers. Regan also said the U.S. willing to offer fair, rather than free, opportunities to its trading partners.

He added: "That is our message to the Europeans and Japanese. We will buy your products and we want you to buy ours in a competitive situation. Where we draw the line is where countries have used the American market as a dumping ground to avoid having to make the needed inflation adjustments to their own economy."

West plans oil alternative

PARIS, Oct. 12 (R) — A six-point plan adopted by industrial countries to expand production of synthetic fuels could significantly increase their energy self-reliance by the end of the century, the International Energy Agency (IEA) said in a report issued Monday.

The report, drawn up by experts of the 21 member countries, was prepared after decisions taken by leaders of the seven main industrial nations at their economic summits in 1979 and 1980 to cut oil use and maintain

Japan to market 2 instant cameras

TOKYO, Oct. 12 (AP) — Fuji Photo Film Co. announced Monday it will begin marketing Japan's first instant camera system Saturday.

Fuji said it will offer two instant camera models — one that holds a 10-sheet film package priced at \$125 and another fitted with an instant stroboscope costing \$70, Kyodo News Service reported.

The film package will sell for \$10 and the stroboscope for \$38 Kyodo said.

Claims security in peril

Keep hands off Egypt, Soviet Union warns U.S.

MOSCOW, Oct. 12 (Agencies) — The Soviet Union Monday gave Washington a "hands off Egypt" warning, and said its own security was affected by American moves in the Middle East since the assassination of Sadat.

U.S. Embassy sources said Charge d'Affaires Warren Zimmermann was summoned to the Soviet Foreign Ministry Sunday and handed the message by First Deputy Foreign Minister Georgy Korniyenko. It was published on the front page of the Communist Party newspaper *Pravda* Monday.

The message accused Washington of raising tension in the Middle East by putting its forces on the alert. It was similar to a series of warnings which Moscow issued when the Shah's rule collapsed in Iran. "The Soviet government resolutely condemns U.S. interference in any way in the internal affairs of the Arab Republic of Egypt," the statement said. "What is happening around Egypt cannot but affect the interests and security of the Soviet Union and it will attentively follow the development of events," the statement added.

The Soviet statement is expected to become the keynote for the official press here in its presentation of future events in Egypt. Western diplomats said they expected Moscow would avoid any criticism of President Sadat's successor Hosni Mubarak, and would concentrate on attacking the United States.

The Soviet statement appeared to have been drafted by Moscow as a reply to U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig, who warned Moscow last week not to interfere in Egypt.

Diplomats said Moscow clearly wanted to make a fresh start in relations with Egypt, which was once its closest friend in the Middle East but became its fiercest opponent under President Sadat. The Kremlin has been effectively shut out of Middle East peacemaking efforts since the Camp David agreement between Egypt and Israel.

The latest statement appeared to signal Moscow's close interest in developments in Egypt, without making any concrete commitments.

In Cairo, Egypt Monday rejected the Soviet charge that the United States, in increasing the level of readiness of its warships in the Mediterranean Sea following Sadat's death, was interfering in Cairo's affairs. Moscow's attitude, one official said, is proof of "the hegemony that the USSR is trying to exert in the Middle East."

Zia awaits reply to no-war offer

ISLAMABAD, Oct. 12 (AP) — President Zia Ul-Haq said Monday he hoped New Delhi would respond to his government's overture for a no-war pact between the two countries.

Zia, speaking to reporters at a trekking convention here, said he had received no reply from India on the proposals, but added "We hope there will be a positive response." The no-war offer, made by Zia several weeks ago, was repeated by Foreign Minister Agha Shahi in newspaper interviews in New York this week.

India has alleged that if Islamabad were provided U.S. military aid, including F-16 airplanes, it would be a threat to India and start an arms race in the region. The United States offered military equipment to Pakistan after the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan. Pakistan has repeatedly denied any designs against its much stronger neighbor, India, and offered the no-war proposal to New Delhi to remove any apprehension.

economic growth.

Energy ministers from all IEA countries approved the report last June and the IEA staff will now monitor their progress. The report says the equivalent of an extra 1.6 to 2.6 million barrels of oil a day could be produced in the form of liquid fuels and gas by 1990 from six alternative sources to oil.

If enough industrial plants are built this decade to reach the 1990 target, these synthetic energy sources could produce the equivalent of an extra five to 11.6 million barrels of oil daily by the year 2000. This compares with the current total OPEC oil output of about 20 million barrels daily.

The experts examined commercial projects for producing synthetic fuels from such sources as conventional oil from tar sands, heavy oils and oil shales, direct and indirect liquefaction of coal, gas from coal, liquids from natural gas, new coal combustion technologies and products such as cellulose.

Donald Kerr, U.S. chairman of the group of experts, told reporters problems could be caused by the high cost of building plants for the new technologies, long construction times, high interest rates and budget constraints in many countries.

Tass, commenting on U.S.-Egyptian plans to hold joint exercises said in a Monday morning dispatch that the United States is pursuing a "perilous policy" of raising tension in the Middle East, based on "selfish, hegemonic aspirations." Tass noted in particular a U.S. television appearance Sunday by U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig in which Haig said the exercises next month will include "a highly increased U.S. presence."

The Tass report followed Sunday's Soviet government statement to the United States, which accused Washington of exerting "gross pressure" on Egypt following Sadat's assassination by alerting American military forces in the Mideast and Mediterranean areas. The statement did not say specifically how events in Egypt might affect Soviet security, but Western diplomats here said the comment appeared to be a general reassertion of the Soviet role in the Middle East.

Western diplomats meanwhile said the United States appeared ready to coax Israel into making concessions to Egypt to preserve the peace process between the two countries.

U.S. sources in Cairo said Sunday the murder of Sadat showed the need for progress at the stalled negotiations on Palestinian autonomy. The talks, a key component of the Camp David peace accords, have made little headway since they began in May, 1979, with Israel refusing to grant the Palestinians wide-ranging powers.

Many analysts believe that Israel's tough line weakened Sadat's domestic standing and that the Americans are anxious to stop the same thing happening to Mubarak. Speculation that Washington is pressing Israel to be more flexible heightened after remarks made by Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

Speaking on Israeli radio, Shamir rejected suggestions that Israel should bring forward its final withdrawal from Sinai. The last portion of Israeli-occupied territory in the peninsula is due to be handed back to Egypt next April.



Hosni Mubarak

Khaled meets pilgrim heads

JEDDAH, Oct. 12 (SPA) — King Khaled received heads of pilgrimage missions of the Cameroon, Lebanon, Gambia, Palestine, North Yemen, Ghana, Sudan and India.

The missions were led by Hamadi Alim, the Cameroon ambassador to Saudi Arabia; Mahmoud Hafez, the former Lebanese ambassador to the Kingdom; the head of religious affairs in Gambia; Rafiq Natsha, representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization here; Ali Al-Samman, North Yemen justice minister; Sayed Osman, Ghana presidential representative; Dr. Abdul Malek Abdullah, the Sudanese secretary general for religious affairs; and Khurshid Alam Khan, Indian state minister for commerce.

Newsweek says

U.S., Egypt plan panel

NEW YORK, Oct. 12 (Agencies) — The United States and Egypt are preparing a joint military commission to study potential responses to any Libyan attack on Sudan or any Soviet-backed aggression in northern Africa, *Newsweek* magazine reported Monday.

The assassination of President Anwar Sadat last Tuesday helped accelerate a process which was decided earlier this year. *Newsweek* said, quoting senior Egyptian officials, Egypt even considered invading Libya to counter what it believed was Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi's expansionist aims in the region, according to the report. "Every plan is ready," *Newsweek* quoted one ranking Egyptian official as saying, "but believe me, we need equipment to fulfill our plans. We are in a hurry — any delay would be dangerous." Secretary of State Alexander Haig Sunday told the National Broadcasting Corporation (NBC) that Washington and Cairo planned "very extensive" joint maneuvers in Egypt.

Newsweek said these exercises, named

"Operation Bright Star," would include air-lifting Egyptian troops over Sudan under the cover of an Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) radar jet. A small detachment from the U.S. Rapid Deployment Force would also take part, the magazine said.

Egyptian-American military cooperation last year included two joint military exercises in the Egyptian desert.

Haig said before leaving Cairo Sunday that the joint exercises planned for November, involving Egyptian troops and the U.S. Rapid Deployment Force, will be expanded and enlarged to include forces of some other states. American B-52 bombers will be included for the first time, Haig said. "We are going to have to show our presence here from time to time," Haig said demonstrating that it is not fatal to be in ally of the United States.

But the head of Egypt's National Progressive Unionist Opposition Party said he believed the statements of Haig and other U.S. officials had applied too much pressure on President-designate Hosni Mubarak.

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Pilgrims prepare for journey home

JEDDAH, Oct. 12 (SPA) — Planes carrying pilgrims home after the completion of the pilgrimage began taking off at King Abdul Aziz International Airport here Monday morning. The departure of the pilgrims is organized according to the instructions of Pilgrimage and Endowments Minister Sheikh Abdul Wahhab Abdul Wasie.

A special committee, comprising representatives of all authorities concerned with the pilgrimage, supervised the flight schedule. The committee will be active until the departure process is completed.

Three pilgrimage transport centers have been opened in Makkah and Jeddah to organize the transportation of pilgrims whose

departure time is due and to see that no pilgrim is delayed for more than 24 hours.

Meanwhile, for pilgrims departing by sea, Jeddah Islamic Port will receive the first group of pilgrims leaving for home, which includes Pakistani and Egyptian nationals. All authorities concerned with pilgrimage affairs at the port have been mobilized to serve the pilgrims and facilitate departure procedures according to the pilgrimage and endowments minister's decisions. The port's pilgrims city in Jeddah has been equipped with all necessary facilities to accommodate pilgrims whose departure time is not due.

The minister issued his instructions Thursday which said that no pilgrims will depart before being cleared from this year's pilgrimage of any epidemic disease by the Health Ministry, a customary procedure every year. The instructions introduced a new rule which states that air pilgrims are not allowed to exit from Makkah to Jeddah until 36 hours before their departure time.

Sea pilgrims who are to board vessels that take less than 1,500 passengers will be transported from Makkah to Jeddah port 48 hours prior to their departure time; while those boarding larger vessels will be allowed to exit 72 hours before their departure time.

Pilgrims who arrived by land will depart by land, and by the same means which brought them into the country. Each vehicle will be checked and is supposed to have its manifest matching the passports of its passengers. Authorities will affirm that all passengers of a certain vehicle are present, or it should have documents confirming the legality of any of the passengers to stay behind.

In other pilgrimage news, Sheikh Abdul Wasie thanked, on behalf of all pilgrims, the Posts, Telegraph and Telephones Ministry for its sincere efforts during this year's pilgrimage. He commended, in a cable to PTT minister Dr. Alawi Darwish Kayyal, the high standard of telephone and telex services and the minister's attention. Sheikh Abdul Wasie said the factors had greatly facilitated pilgrims needs for quick communications which were provided throughout the holy places.

Meanwhile, a spokesman for the Indian pilgrimage mission led by State Minister for Commerce Khurshid Alam Khan commended the excellent arrangements and assistance extended by the Kingdom's government to all pilgrims.

National day cables sent

JEDDAH, Oct. 12 (SPA) — King Khaled congratulated King Juan Carlos of Spain Monday on the occasion of his country's national day anniversary. He wished the Spanish monarch good health and happiness and further progress and prosperity for the Spanish people.

The King also sent a congratulatory message to the president of Equatorial Guinea on the occasion of the country's national day anniversary. He expressed his good wishes for the Guinean leader and people.

Saleh receives king's message

SANAA, Oct. 12 (SPA) — North Yemeni President Col. Abdullah Ali Saleh has received a message from King Khaled. Education Minister, Dr. Abdul Aziz Al-Kbuweiter Sunday night conveyed the King's message to Saleh. The meeting was attended by Yemen's Culture Minister and the Kingdom's ambassador to North Yemen, Sheikh Tarrad Al-Harithy. Sanaa radio Monday reported that Col. Saleh had delivered written message to Dr. Kbuweiter, for handing over to King Khaled. The education minister arrived here Sunday morning.

Prayer Times

	Makkah	Medina	Riyadh	Dammam	Buraidah	Tabuk
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Fajr (Dawn)	4:51	4:53	4:25	4:13	4:37	5:08
Dhuhr (Noon)	12:07	12:08	11:39	11:26	11:50	12:20
Assr (Afternoon)	3:28	3:28	2:59	2:45	3:10	3:38
Maghreb (Sunset)	5:59	5:58	5:29	5:15	5:39	6:08
Isha (Night)	7:29	7:28	6:69	6:45	7:09	7:38

Computers aid telephone work

RIYADH, Oct. 12 — The computers in Saudi Telephone's data center here are now operating 24 hours-a-day, Saudi Telephone reported Monday. The company has added recently a third shift to its computing staff in the data center.

"Fully trained Saudi nationals are on duty at all times, helping to meet the increased workload caused by the rapidly-expanding telephone network," a spokesman said. In the last six months alone Saudi Telephone has had to increase the number of computer jobs processed each week from 5,000 per week to 8,000 jobs per week, a rise of some 60 percent. The surge in the number of subscribers in the Kingdom, and the complexity of operating a space-age telecommunications system are the main reasons for the dramatic rise in the amount of computer work needed, a spokesman added.

A total of 33 highly qualified experts now handle the technical and manage-

ment tasks involved in the computer operations in order to keep pace with the Kingdom's computer requirements. Saudi Telephone's "management by objectives" approach ensured that the experts were available, trained and ready when the telephone system needed the manpower, the spokesman added.

Saudi Telephone has concentrated the most manpower in the daytime shift, when the number of job requirements is at its peak, the company announced. Seventeen computer experts are on duty during the day, with eight managers on each of the other two shifts.

The continuous operation of the data center's computers greatly increases their efficiency, and allows the company to monitor constantly the status of the telephone network. An upcoming addition to the data center will soon double the capacity of the computers, Saudi Telephone's spokesman said.

Saudi-American Bank shows profit of SR109m

By Alan Kenney

JEDDAH, Oct. 12 — The Saudi-American Bank earned SR109 million in 1980, according to the bank's first annual report. The report covered a period from the date of the bank's inception in July, 1980, up to the end of the first financial year on Dec. 31, 1980.

According to the report, loans increased 69 percent from SR2.5 billion to SR4.3 billion and customer deposits increased 57 percent from SR2.8 billion to SR4.4 billion. During 1980 the bank established two new branch outlets — one in Al Khobar and one in Riyadh. Between Dec. 31, 1980, and June 30, 1981, an additional three branches were opened in Jeddah and two more in Riyadh — bringing the total to nine, the bank report added.

have been subscribed by a group of 60 founders, all of whom are Saudi citizens. The remaining 1,200,000 shares are held by Citibank, N.A., representing 40 percent of the total.

According to the first annual report, the 1980 share offer was oversubscribed by more than 10 times; and the present number of 166,000 shareholders far exceeds that of any other bank in Saudi Arabia.

Total bank staff increased from 602 on July 12, 1980, to 759 as of Dec. 31, 1980. Positions held by Saudi nationals increased from 115 to 151 in the same period, the report indicated. With the cooperation of Citibank, N.A. and four global training centers in New York, Athens, London and Manila, Saudi-American Bank was able to train 261 people in 1980. The figure for 1981 will be more than 320, the bank 32 report said.

The investment in these programs including that in Saudi-American Bank's training center in Riyadh, will be SR9,500,000, an increase of 16 percent over 1980. The bank's management expects to hire more than 300 Saudi nationals over the next four and a half years in order to staff the expansion program, the report said.

The bank reported significant progress in meeting the goal of providing superior customer service through automation. In example, the report said that within a reasonable time frame, certain corporate customers will be able to transfer funds, generate account statements, transmit messages and perform other transactions through computer terminals located in their offices.

Saudi Arabian stamps go on auction

LONDON, Oct. 12 — The increasingly popular stamps of Saudi Arabia are being featured in a two-day "Specialized Middle East" stamp auction being held on October 22-23 by Stanley Gibbons in their Drury House, the company reported in a press statement.

The comprehensive Saudi Arabia section not only includes single stamps, but examples in multiple blocks and stamps on their original envelope from Hejaz and Nejd. There are also the "forerunners" to Saudi Arabia stamps — those of Egypt and Turkey overprinted for

use in Saudi Arabia together with the stamps used during the French Occupation of Hejaz.

The most expensive lot in the auction is a collection from 1916 to the present day containing both rare and sought after items and more common stamps, which are valued at £600. A small set of Hejaz 1/2 pi to 1 pi stamps, all in blocks of four, is valued at £200 while a complete sheet of 36 1/2 pi stamps from Nejd of 1925 which have the overprint, used to denote a new higher value of 1 1/2 pi, inverted in error, is expected to fetch £175.

Arab-Americans to hold seminar

By a Staff Writer

NEW YORK CITY, Oct. 12 — The American-Arab Association for Commerce & Industry, Inc. will hold its second annual one-day seminar on Saudi Arabia and the Arab Gulf on November 5, 1981.

The seminar, *Saudi Arabia and the Arab Gulf*, will cover aspects of doing business in

this region, and is recommended for senior executives. Topics to be discussed include project financing, taxation in Saudi Arabia, U.S. anti-boycott laws, the role of the private sector in Saudi development, U.S.-Gulf business relations, the Middle East as a source of capital, social attitudes in Saudi Arabia, and a legal update on Saudi Arabia and the Gulf.

FROM THE GULF


AL AIN, Oct. 12 (WAM) — United Arab Emirates President Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al-Nahyan Monday received a written message from Libyan President Col. Muammar Al-Qaddafi, dealing with bilateral relations and the current Arab situation.

ABU DHABI, Oct. 12 (WAM) — United Arab Emirates President Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al-Nahyan Monday received cables of thanks from President Ahmed Sekou Toure of Guinea and President Jnajo Bernardo Vieira of Guinea-Bissau in reply to the congratulatory messages on the occasion of their national days.

The message was delivered by Mahmoud Mariz, head of the Libyan Bureau (embassy) in the UAE at a meeting here Monday with President Sheikh Zayed.

DUBAI, Oct. 12 — Computer users throughout the Middle East are to have the chance to learn of the latest technology available internationally at a major conference to be held in Dubai. Called the Gulf Computer Conference, it will feature presentations that concentrate on computer applications of particular relevance in the Middle East.

The audience was attended by Sheikh Tahnoon bin Muhammad, Abu Dhabi ruler's representative in the Eastern Region and chairman of the Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC).



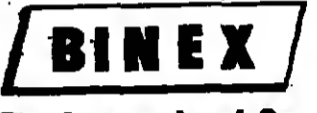
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After attack of residence Security tightened for Egypt's minister

CAIRO, Oct. 12 (Agencies) — Marksman set up a crossfire zone as part of increased security Monday in front of the home of Egypt's interior minister where sources said gunmen launched an armed attack over the weekend.

The riflemen huddled on either side of Nabawy Ismail's house in the Cairo suburb of Mohandessin, just across the Nile River from the Egyptian capital.

There was one sharpshooter and an observer in each truck, parked 50 meters on either side of the house. Also, guards in civilian clothes manned a machine gun post mounted on the second level of an unfinished building immediately next to the minister's house, where sources said an undetermined number of sentries died late Saturday or early Sunday when gunmen opened fire from speeding cars.

Ismail Sunday denied his home was attacked, calling the story a "lie" and advising reporters not to believe rumors.

Meanwhile, the opposition Socialist Labor Party came out Sunday night in support of Gen. Hosni Mubarak's candidacy for president of Egypt.

"Egyptians should stand together in this difficult and sad time," the party said in a statement reported by Egypt's Middle East News Agency (MEANA). The Socialist Labor Party has 12 of the 382 seats in the People's Assembly.

Meanwhile, the weekly *Mayo* published by Mubarak's ruling National Democratic Party (NPD) reported that after he is confirmed as president in the referendum vote Tuesday, he does not plan to appoint a new vice-president for the time being. *Mayo* said party leaders tended to favor having Mubarak give up his temporary additional post of premier and

name a new premier. But the appointment on a premier could be delayed "if circumstances required." The new president would keep the present cabinet in office, *Mayo* said.

Mayo also said the leader of the commandos who killed Sadat was already under suspicion of Egypt's political police. It said Lieut. Khaled Islambouly's "religious penchant" caused military security agents to put him under surveillance but they never proved anything against him. He seemed to be an "excellent" officer, "honest and punctual," it said.

Mayo confirmed that one of his brothers was among the 1,536 persons arrested last month in Sadat's drive against the opposition. But the lieutenant was not serving in the army under his true surname of Islambouly, so investigators did not realize he was a brother of the jailed man. The wounded lieutenant was still unconscious and has therefore not yet been interrogated, *Mayo* said.

Mayo revealed that Sadat exclaimed "it is not possible" just before he was hit by assassin bullets. Hosni Mubarak, in an interview with *Mayo*, said the attack lasted only "one or two seconds and was completely unforeseeable." He said it was a somewhat amateurish operation. Two grenades failed to explode because the killers forgot to pull the pins, he disclosed.

"Nobody could have prevented such an event," Mubarak said in answer to questions about possible negligence by bodyguards. He said the president had always refused to have guards "cut him off from people." For that reason, American security experts had given up all hope of guaranteeing his protection during his visits to Presidents Richard Nixon and Jimmy Carter.

Foreign hand in murder ruled out

CAIRO, Oct. 12 (AP) — The Egyptian Defense Minister Abdul Halim Abu Ghazala told *Mayo* weekly that the four conspirators who assassinated President Anwar Sadat committed the crime of their own free will and had no help from abroad.

Ghazala gave *Mayo* previously undisclosed details of how the conspiracy was allegedly carried out, following interrogation of the two surviving civilians.

Ghazala said the conspirators had long been looking for an opportunity to kill Sadat. When they learned that El-Islambouly was to lead the gun crew at the annual victory day parade Oct. 6, they decided their moment had come. The four men went to Deshna, 325 miles south of Cairo, where they bought 100 rounds of ammunition and four hand grenades from "fugitives and criminals."

On the eve of the parade, the participating army units were assembled at suburban Nasr City "under intensive guard." But El-Islambouly had given three enlisted men in his battery a leave of absence, Ghazala said, to be able to replace them with his three accomplices.

The three arrived late Oct. 5, telling

guards they had been ordered to report to El-Islambouly for duty. El-Islambouly came to meet them and enacted a dramatic scene, abusing and reprimanding them for their late arrival," Ghazala said. "He then ordered them to spend the night separated from the other men in the battery" presumably to safeguard against arousing suspicion.

"In the morning, he went through the motions of carrying out a search for concealed ammunition," Ghazala said.

When the truck drew level with Sadat in the parade, the driver, who was not involved in the plot, refused to stop, Ghazala said. So El-Islambouly, sitting next to him, pulled the hand brake and leaped out with the other conspirators, running directly to the reviewing stand, one on the right, one on the left and two in the center.

Ghazala said he saw the first grenade fly over his head and explode behind him, while the second fell by Sadat and also exploded. The two other grenades did not explode. "I saw (El-Islambouly) aiming a shot directly at Sadat and those behind him," Ghazala said. "There was not a single security guard in front of the grandstand."

Iran rejects Saddam's peace offer

BEIRUT, Oct. 12 (AP) — The Iranian joint chiefs of staff Sunday rejected Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's call for unconditional peace and said that they would fight the Iraqi forces "until our last breath," Tehran radio reported.

The radio, broadcasting a statement issued by the military, said the call for peace made by the Iraqi president was "devilish" and said such tactics "are used to fool the masses." The Iranian military rejected the call for peace because it said the Iraqis had made such a call while they rocketed the western Iranian town of Ilam Saturday, killing five, and wounding over 80. It also said that the towns of Dezful and Ahvaz in the oil-producing province of Khuzestan had been hit by Iraqi long-range artillery causing some damage.

Baghdad radio meanwhile said the Iraqis had killed 59 Iranian troops on the fronts in

the past 24 hours. Iran's government-owned Pars news agency Sa Saturday quoted Parliament Speaker Ali Akbar Rafsanjani as saying that he saw nothing new in the fresh proposals of the Organization of Islamic Conference (OIC) which has restarted its efforts to end the year-long war between Iran and Iraq.

Rafsanjani said the new proposals were the same as the old ones, worded differently. "If Saddam (Iraqi President Saddam Hussein) agrees with this proposal, he should withdraw" from Iranian territory Iraq occupied in the first stages of the war. "They are continuing the war, and we do not want war. We are only defending," Pars quoted Rafsanjani as saying.

Habib Chatti secretary general of the 42-nation OIC made new moves to end the war in a meeting he held at the United Nations with Iranian Foreign Minister Hussein Mousavi, last week. Chatti was quoted by Tehran radio as saying that a peace plan had been proposed to the Iranian government and if it were accepted, the Islamic mediation team would immediately be asked to convene anew in Saudi Arabia to work out the final peace process.

Chatti was quoted by the Tehran radio correspondent in New York as saying that the new plan calls for a ceasefire simultaneously with Iraqi withdrawal from Iran and the stationing of an Islamic peacekeeping force to separate the troops pending the delineation of the disputed border zone between the two countries.

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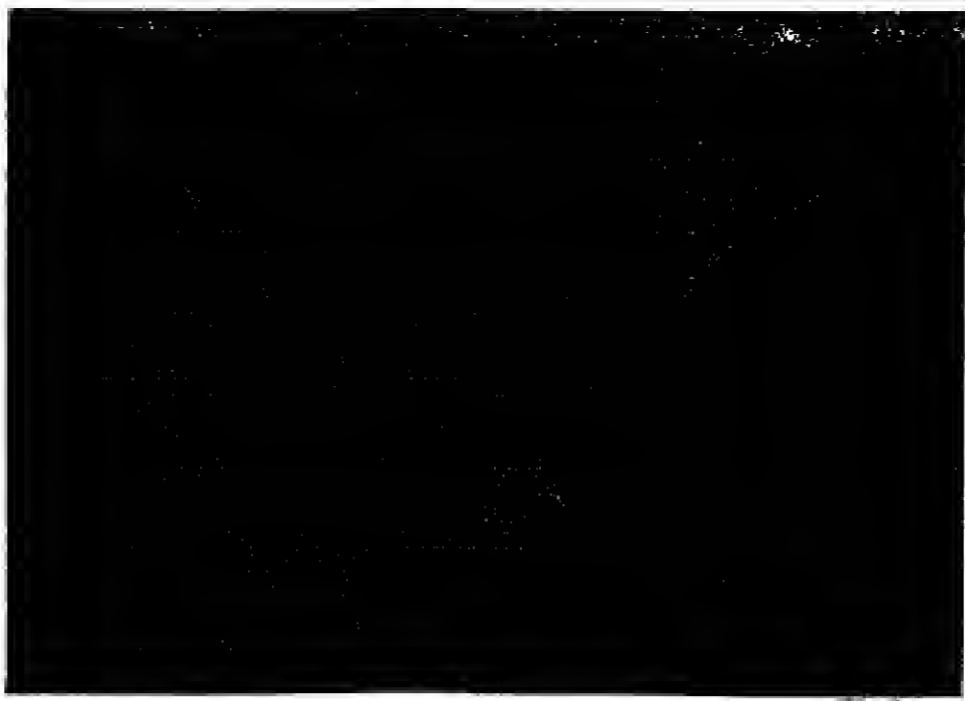
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BIDS FAREWELL: U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig bids farewell to Egyptian Minister of Foreign Affairs Kamal Hassan Ali Sunday after attending the funeral of assassinated President Anwar Sadat and holding talks with Egyptian leaders in Cairo.

North Korea confers title on Arafat

TOKYO, Oct. 12 (AP) — Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat received the title of Hero — North Korea's highest decoration — in a ceremony in Pyongyang Sunday, the official (North) Korean Central News Agency (KCNS) reported Monday.

President Kim Il-Sung personally awarded the title and the accompanying Gold Star Medal and the Order of the National Flag First Class to Arafat in recognition of his "armed struggle for many years against U.S. imperialism and Zionism to win the freedom, liberation and independence of the Palestinian people," it said.

The decoration also was for Arafat's active

support for the "just struggle of the (North) Korean people for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country" and his efforts in promoting friendly relations and cooperation between the Korean and Palestinian peoples, it said. Arafat arrived in Pyongyang from Peking Saturday for a three-day visit. The PLO leader also is to visit Japan, Vietnam and the Soviet Union.

Earlier Sunday, KCNS said, Arafat laid a wreath at the monument of the fallen fighters of the North Korean Army, and attended a music and dance performance given by the song and dance ensemble of the army. At the end of the performance, Arafat and President Kim mounted the stage and presented a basket of flowers to the artists, it added.

As bomb blast injures three 2 die in Iran shootout

TEHRAN, Oct. 12 (Agencies) — Two persons were killed and a third was seriously injured in a short violent shootout in central Tehran early Monday, eyewitnesses said.

The victims were believed to have been Mujahedeen opponents of the government.

Meanwhile a bomb exploded in a central Tehran street Monday injuring bystanders, eyewitnesses said. They added the explosion shattered windows of nearby buildings in Karim Khan-e-Zand Avenue, sealed off by revolutionary guards after the blast. The bomb had been placed in a bag in front of a shop, they said.

In Paris, Massoud Rajavi, the exiled leader of the Mujahedeen, said Sunday 80 of his supporters in Iran have been executed in the past 24 hours. Tehran radio reported Sunday that 82 leftist opponents had been executed by the Iranian government. A communique issued by Rajavi from his headquarters outside Paris also said Dr. Muhammad Maleki, the first post-revolutionary head of Tehran University, and Shokrollah Paknejad, a well-known militant, had been arrested and were being tortured in a Tehran prison.

The communique added, "last week nearly 100 students who had been injured in recent street demonstrations were taken from their hospital beds to Evin Prison (in Tehran) where they were then executed. Their bodies,

unlike previous cases, were not this time taken to the coroner's office and are now buried in what is known as the infidel's graveyard."

Rajavi fled Iran along with ousted Iranian President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr. The two men arrived in Paris together July 29 and were granted political asylum by the French government.

The state radio in the meantime in its evening broadcast said a doctor was shot dead by the Mujahedeen Khalq in the central Iranian city of Shiraz Sunday. The radio described Dr. Ibrahim Faghihi as a "religious and dedicated man." The radio said Faghihi was shot by assailants on a motorcycle but gave no further details.

The *Islamic Republic* reported Monday 12 persons have been executed on charges of being "counter-revolutionaries" or "elements dependent on foreign powers" in Kermanshah and Esfahanabad Ghard, in the western province of Kermanshahan.

The 12 were sentenced to death by Islamic revolutionary courts for "rebellion against the regime," stockpiling of weapons, "creating panic, leaving explosives in public places and attacks against Muslims," the newspaper said. A woman was among the 12 according to the newspaper, which did not give the dates of the executions.

BRIEFS

KHARTOUM, (AFP) — A high-level American delegation arrived here Sunday for talks on Sudan's defense needs. The delegation, led by State Department Counselor Robert McFarlane, includes senior Defense Department officials.

KOMOTINI, (AFP) — Three Turks and an Iranian Monday swam across the Euros (Merik) River separating the European part of Turkey and Greece and asked for political

asylum in his country. No further details are immediately available from the police.

ALGIERS, (AFP) — Britain will build 20,000 dwellings in Algeria under an agreement between the two governments, announced here Monday. Companies in the United Kingdom are expected to begin detailed negotiations with Algerian state organizations next week.

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Salvador puts army on alert

Rejects parley with opposition

SAN SALVADOR, Oct. 12 (AFP) — Salvadoran security forces were on alert and many people canceled weekend activities because of an expected guerrilla offensive, according to sources here. The measures followed an announcement Friday by army headquarters that guerrilla operations were on the increase after the government's refusal to meet for talks with opposition.

The military junta led by President Jose Napoleon Duarte insists that the leftists must lay down arms before any negotiations are undertaken. Such a move would be political and physical "suicide", according to leaders of the Revolutionary Democratic Front (RDF) and the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN).

The two opposition groups favor a dialogue leading to a negotiated global political settlement to the conflict with the participation of all representative forces. Meanwhile, the general staff of the Salvadoran armed forces has taken a stand in favor of joint action with neighboring Guatemala and Honduras to fight what it has termed "armed intervention by the Sandinistas" of Nicaragua, sources said Sunday.

The idea of a joint action by the three anti-Communist regimes against the left-wing fourth was floated ahead of Monday's visit to San Salvador of Guatemalan President Rometucas Garcia, accompanied by his minister of defense, Gen. Luis Rene Meoza Palomo. Relations with Nicaragua are at a low point over to judge from the Salvadoran press, which is calling for a break in diplomatic relations.

The call follows the rejection here of a Nicaraguan proposal, presented by the Sandinista commander before the United Nations, for negotiations with the El Salvador government. President Napoleon Duarte Saturday called the Nicaraguan leaders "puppets of the Soviet Union." Another official described the Nicaraguans as "super-interventionists."

Political violence has caused the death of more than 22,000 civilians in this country over the past four years.

American helium balloon completes historic float

SAVANNAH, Georgia, Oct. 12 (AP) — The helium balloon *Super Chicken III* landed on an island off the Georgia coast Sunday, becoming the first such craft to float from one end of the United States to the other.

"The balloon landed on Blackbird island and both passengers and the balloon are in good condition," said Robert Nevins with the Federal Aviation Administration in Jacksonville, "there were no problems, no one was injured and there was no damage to the balloon."

The two pilots had attempted to land the 10-story-tall balloon on a beach 38kms south of Savannah, but had to ascend to find a more suitable spot because of stiff ocean breezes, Nevins said. The pilots were in the air 55 hours, 25 minutes and they traveled 4,047-kms.

Before daylight Sunday, pilot John Shoecraft and co-pilot Fred Gorrell slowed down fearing a landing in darkness would crash the craft on power lines or buildings, said Chris Van Elk, a spokesman at the flight operations center in Scottsdale, Arizona.

The balloon was cruising 60 miles per hour at 27,000 feet when it began descending, reaching 18,000 and a speed of between 35 and 45 mph, Van Elk said.

Shoecraft failed at two previous attempts to guide the first helium balloon ever to fly non-stop coast to coast across the United States. A team in 1980 flew a helium balloon from the west coast to the east coast, but drifted to a landing in Canada.



HISTORIC FLIGHT: Fred Gorrell (left) and pilot John Shoecraft tie down Super Chicken III's gondola after their historic transcontinental balloon flight ended on Blackbird Island Sunday.

Cuba to start anti-smoking drive soon

HAVANA, Oct. 12 (R) — Cuba's cigar-smoking president, Fidel Castro, announced that his government would soon start an anti-smoking campaign. Chattering informally to reporters Sunday after voting in municipal elections, Castro said ruefully that he could not give up the habit himself. "My contribution will be not to smoke in public," he said with a smile.

Castro acknowledged that his image as a lover of fine Havana cigars had helped to publicize Cuba's vital tobacco industry, a source of valuable foreign currency.

But he said, the forthcoming campaign was part of his government's widely praised health policies. Castro did not say when it would begin, but Sunday, at least, no cigar was seen sprouting from the pockets of his familiar olive-green military fatigues.

The municipal elections were held for the third time since the 1959 revolution in Cuba. The voters were choosing members of 169 municipal assemblies, the only bodies directed elected in Cuba.

Stealth bomber 'gets new design'

NEW YORK, Oct. 12 (R) — The Stealth bomber, capable of evading Soviet radar, will be built as a low-altitude penetrator instead of a high-altitude bomber, *Newsweek* magazine reports.

Some basic design decisions were still to be made, but there has been "an important change in specifications: instead of being a high-altitude bomber, as originally planned, it will be a low-altitude penetrator," the magazine says in its latest issue.

Newsweek does not give a reason for the reported change in design of the Stealth which is expected to form eventually the air-based leg of the U.S. strategic "triad" defense system. The Reagan administration proposes to continue providing funds for both the B-1 bomber, expected to be ready in 1986, and the Stealth, which should be ready in the 1990s. Some congressmen have argued that the B-1 money should be diverted for work on the more advanced Stealth.

To face publishers

U.S. writers forming union

NEW YORK, Oct. 12 (R) — Delegates to the first congress of writers to be held in the United States since 1941 voted Sunday night to form a union for American writers. The three-day congress, which organizers said was attended by 3,000 persons, also passed a series of liberal resolutions, including one calling for action to defend the rights to speak and write with freedom.

Delegates said the general mood of the congress was one of gloom at the growing conservative mood in the United States and the increasing vulnerability of the writer to both economic and political pressures.

Among other factors, they cited conglomerate control of the publishing industry and the Christian fundamentalist Moral Majority

Organization which has forced the removal of some books from libraries. Independent U.S. publishing houses and newspapers have been increasingly bought by large corporations with other interests as diverse as food, cable television or defense contracting.

"What we need is a good, old-fashioned trade union to face the publishing conglomerates," said one delegate. Keynote speaker Toni Morrison, author and editor at Random House Publishers, was applauded loudly, when she called for cooperation among writers.

"We don't need any more writers as solitary heroes. We need a heroic writers' movement — assertive, militant, pugnacious," she said.

From sunken ship

Britons to recover remaining gold

MOSCOW, Oct. 12 (AFP) — British divers will resume operations in the sea of Murmansk next spring to recover the remainder of the bullion from the sunken Royal Navy cruiser *Edinburgh*, *Pravda* reported Monday.

When the British salvage firm of Jesop Marine Recoveries suspended work last week at the onset of autumn storms, 456 ingots had already been brought to the surface, the Soviet Communist Party daily said. Work to recover some 30 ingots still in the wreck will start again next spring when the weather improves.

In the autumn of 1942 the British cruiser was carrying five tons of bullion when it was intercepted by a German U-boat shortly after leaving the Soviet Arctic port of Murmansk.

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Firebomb attacks

Indian crackdown on Sikhs continues

NEW DELHI, Oct. 12 (AP) — Several more Sikh militants have been arrested in a continuing crackdown on secessionist groups which backed the recent hijacking of an Indian airliner to Pakistan, authorities reported. The arrests took place at several towns in the northern state of Punjab, where most of India's 13 million Sikhs live.

The Sikh militants were arrested under a preventive detention law that allows imprisonment without trial for a year, or on sedition charges. Authorities had announced 100 arrests across northern India following the Sept. 29 hijacking of an Indian Airlines Boeing 737 jet by five Sikhs. The pirates had demanded half a million dollars as ransom and the release of Sant Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale, a Sikh leader arrested last month on murder charges.

Pakistani commandos disguised as airline sweepers captured the skyjacker at Lahore Airport.

The arrests on Sunday followed continuing sabotage of railroads, bridges and telecommunications and firebomb attacks on district government offices and officials in Punjab allegedly by Sikh secessionists.

Meanwhile, two Sikh organizations announced Sunday they would "fight tooth and nail" any attempt by the government to prohibit the Sikhs from carrying their kirpans, or small iron-handled knives, aboard domestic flights.

Sikh men, who sport turbans over unshorn hair, beards and steel bracelets, have been permitted to wear "kirpans" on grounds that this was part of their religion. The "kirpans" were used by the five air pirates to divert the plane to Lahore.

The Sikh Temple Management Committee and All-India Sikh Student Federation said in press statements that a government ban on the carrying of "kirpans" would be a "direct interference" in their religion and it would not be "tolerated."

BRIEFS

CHRISTCHURCH, New Zealand (R) — Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh started an eight-day tour of New Zealand Monday following their two-week visit to Australia.

BANGKOK, (AFP) — Princess Chulabhorn, of the Thai royal family, is to be engaged to a commoner Thursday, the royal household announced Monday. A statement said King Bhumibol Adulyadet had given the princess, 23, special dispensation to retain her royal title. Her husband-to-be is flying officer Virayuth Disayasin, 26. The eldest of the four royal children, Ubol Ratana, 30, lost her title after marrying a Californian businessman in 1972.

NEW DELHI, (AP) — A wedding reception here ended in tragedy Sunday when a blazing canvas tent fell on the crowd, killing two women and seriously burning 55 persons, mostly children, police reported. Four guests were listed in critical condition in a New Delhi hospital.

BÓLOGNA, Northern Italy, (AFP) — Six persons, including two children, were killed Monday when an explosion rocked a building in Montecchio Nelf Emilia, about 80 kms west of here, local firefighters reported. Two others were slightly injured by the blast, which was tentatively attributed to a gas leak, the sources said.

SANTO DOMINGO, (AFP) — U.S. Vice President George Bush arrived here Sunday for a two-day official visit amid heavy security precautions. He was met at the airport by the vice president of the Dominican Republic, Jacobo Majluta, and several other government leaders.

STANFORD, California, (AFP) — A 40-year-old Californian was in a critical condition Monday after undergoing a double heart and lung transplant operation at Stanford University's medical school here, doctors said. The patient, Barry Eavis, was born with a hole in his heart that also necessitated replacing both his lungs.



JAPANESE PROTEST: Labor unionists and farmers raise their fists at a demonstration against the new Tokyo International Airport at Narita Sunday, vowing to destroy the three-year-old air terminal. Nearly 10,000 Japanese participated in the protest organized by the Searizuka-Shibayama Anti-Airport Alliance, opposed to the expropriation of farm land for the site.

To eliminate injections

Insulin pump implanted in diabetic

MUNICH, Oct. 12 (AFP) — A tiny insulin pump, implanted beneath the skin and controlled by a mini-computer, promises to free diabetics from their daily life-maintaining insulin injections. The first recipient of the new device was a 52-year-old nun.

Dr. Helmut Mehnert performed the operation in the Munich-Schwabing Municipal Hospital on Aug. 5, implanting the pump beneath the right clavicle and hooking it into a vein. The patient left the hospital 10 days later, soon returned to her teaching job and has been living a normal, active life due to the pump's action in correcting the excessive blood sugar which characterizes diabetes, a metabolic disorder.

The pump is the size of a pack of cigarettes and weighs six ounces (170 grams) when filled. It is implanted under local anesthetic in an operation comparable to the implantation of a cardiac pacemaker, said Dr. Mehnert, chief of the hospital's diabetes research group.

The pump is hooked into a vein via a tiny tube and the insulin flows constantly, providing an almost-perfect duplication of the natural action of the pancreas. The tube is just wide enough to allow the insulin through, but too narrow for blood to back up and foul

the pump. The flow of insulin is regulated from outside the body, and can be varied according to the time of day, increasing after meals, for example.

The Munich pump is not the first. Such devices have been implanted in patients' abdominal cavities in hospitals in Austria, France and the United States. The sub-clavicle pump differs in that it injects insulin directly into the bloodstream. But even this is not unique. Direct-line insulin pumps had already been developed. But they functioned from outside the body, posing the problems of inconvenience and infection.

The Munich pump, the first to combine the features of implantation and direct injection, is considered a breakthrough. The pump's insulin reservoir is refilled by injection every three weeks, and the battery is replaced by minor surgery once a year.

Kampala trial put off for day

KAMPALA, Oct. 12 (AFP) — The opening of the trial of Bob Astles, the British-born aide to former Ugandan President Idi Amin, for murder was postponed until Tuesday to allow his British barrister, Philip Wilkinson, to obtain authorization to practice in Uganda.

A technicality, preventing the start of the trial Monday, scheduled, was raised in court by the principal state attorney, George Emesu, who said that Wilkinson's certificate permitting him to practice in Uganda had expired in 1976.

Emesu said that it would be an offense for the barrister to practice without renewing his professional certificate or before he obtained a special license.

Wilkinson practiced in Uganda for 40 years and is registered here as a lawyer.

Yugoslavia may ease censorship

BELGRADE, Oct. 12 (LOS) — A more liberal approach to censorship may be on the way in Yugoslavia as the result of two recent trials, political observers have stated.

Last month poet Djoko Dgogo was sentenced to two years' imprisonment for "hate propaganda" but he remains free until his appeal is heard, and many informed observers believe the sentence will not be carried out.

In another case, the federal court has overturned a seven-year sentence on Momcilo Selic, who criticized the late President Tito in a pamphlet. The court ruled that the sentence, passed last year, was not valid because the pamphlet did not amount to hostile propaganda.

Selic is out free because the court substituted a three-year term for insulting the president. However, that may be set aside soon because Selic is suffering from TB.

Dgogo's trial was almost a farce. Nearly all the witnesses altered pre-trial testimony they had given to the police, some moving closer to Dgogo than others. The difficulty for the prosecution was that Dgogo's hostile propaganda, if it existed, had to be inferred from his rather cryptic verses. Brani Petrovic, an editor from the Prosveta publishing house, sanctioned publication of the book but then backed the state's case against it.

Several witnesses referred to an atmosphere of paranoia during the pre-trial investigation, which closely followed riots in the Yugoslav province of Kosovo. There was incredulous laughter from the public when the manager of the publishing house said he initiated action against Dgogo after workers stacking the newly printed books complained about the contents.

The question now is why the case was ever brought before the courts. The explanation seems to lie in a dispute among Serbian politicians. Some wanted the trial but others, reportedly led by Dragoslav Markovic, a highly pragmatic politician, judged the prosecution a mistake.

All agreed to let the trial be played out as way of gauging public opinion. The literary review *Kuizerna Reč* argued even before the end of the trial that Yugoslav courts had better things to do than sit in judgment on writers.

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Superpowers set for tough talks on SALT

By Michael Getler

WASHINGTON —

The negotiations scheduled to begin in Geneva Nov. 30 between Washington and Moscow on limiting nuclear arms based in Europe are apt to be the most difficult and complicated in the roughly 20-year history of superpower efforts at controlling atomic weaponry. This is so, because the United States and the Soviet Union approach these talks with vastly different goals in mind and the weapons involved are smaller, more numerous, more mobile, harder to find and thus harder to count than those that have been the main subject of arms control talks in the past 10 years.

During the 1970s, Moscow and Washington engaged in Strategic Arms Limitation Talks (SALT) that dealt with limiting the big ocean-spanning, 6,000-mile-range land-based missiles, bombers and missile-firing submarines with which each could strike directly at the other's homeland. But the forthcoming Geneva talks will deal with what are called theater nuclear forces or TNF, meaning hundreds or even thousands of medium and intermediate-range missiles and aircraft that can shoot or fly from a few hundred to perhaps 2,500 miles on a battlefield that could cover all of Europe, including parts of the Soviet Union.

These talks grow out of a momentous and politically controversial decision by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization in December 1979, to deploy, beginning late in 1983, 572 new U.S.-built Pershing II and Cruise missiles in West Germany, Britain, Italy and possibly Belgium and the Netherlands. The Pershing and Cruise missiles were meant to offset a substantial Soviet SS-20 2,500-mile-range missile already in place and targeted on NATO bases. The intention was to plug a gap in the ability of NATO to deter a Soviet attack in the first place by making it clear to the Soviets that if they attacked Western Europe and not the United States, they would not escape retaliation on their own territory from West European bases with American-controlled weapons. Both the Pershing and Cruise missiles have ranges in excess of 1,000 miles and could reach Soviet territory.

At the same time, many West European leaders, mindful of their political left wings and of irritating their big Russian neighbor too severely, insisted that the United States also negotiate with Moscow as soon as possible to try to limit such deployments on both sides to as few missiles as possible. Thus, the United States goes into these talks convinced of the absolute need to modernize NATO's arsenal yet with a commitment to talk, while the Soviets go in with a top priority of stopping the U.S. program before the first new missile is installed.

So while the talks represent a hopeful sign to those advocating arms control and represent the first such contact with Moscow by the Reagan administration, there are huge obstacles in the way of agreement, and even very little agreement about what is to be discussed. For example, Reagan administration officials say they want the initial negotiations limited to the SS-20 and some 350 older SS-4 and SS-5 Soviet intermediate-range missiles and, on the American side, the Pershing II and Cruise missiles. In other words, this means only land-based missiles.

The Soviets already have about 250 of the triple-warhead SS-20 missiles deployed, but about 75 of these are said to be based in the eastern USSR, presumably aimed at China rather than Europe. But because the SS-20 is mobile and can be moved easily by truck, Washington wants the SS-20 limitation to be "global," meaning all are counted in the overall balance of forces targeted on Europe.

Washington has not yet decided, officials say, how to deal in the talks with a variety of even newer Soviet SS-21, SS-22 and SS-23 missiles which may soon be deployed with ranges from 65 to 1,000 miles. Nor has it decided whether it will propose that Moscow's 4,300-mile-plus-range Backfire bomber be included in the TNF talks or any resumption of SALT discussions.

Moscow, however, views the situation much differently. The Soviets say that the new NATO deployments are a fundamental effort by the West to tip the strategic balance because the Pershing and Cruise can reach Soviet soil while the Soviet weapons in the TNF talks cannot reach the U.S. homeland. And Moscow has already made clear that it doesn't want the talks limited to land-based missiles but rather wants all U.S. "forward-based systems," meaning American fighters and bombers based in Europe, Britain and aboard aircraft carriers put on the bargaining table since some of them also can reach Soviet territory.

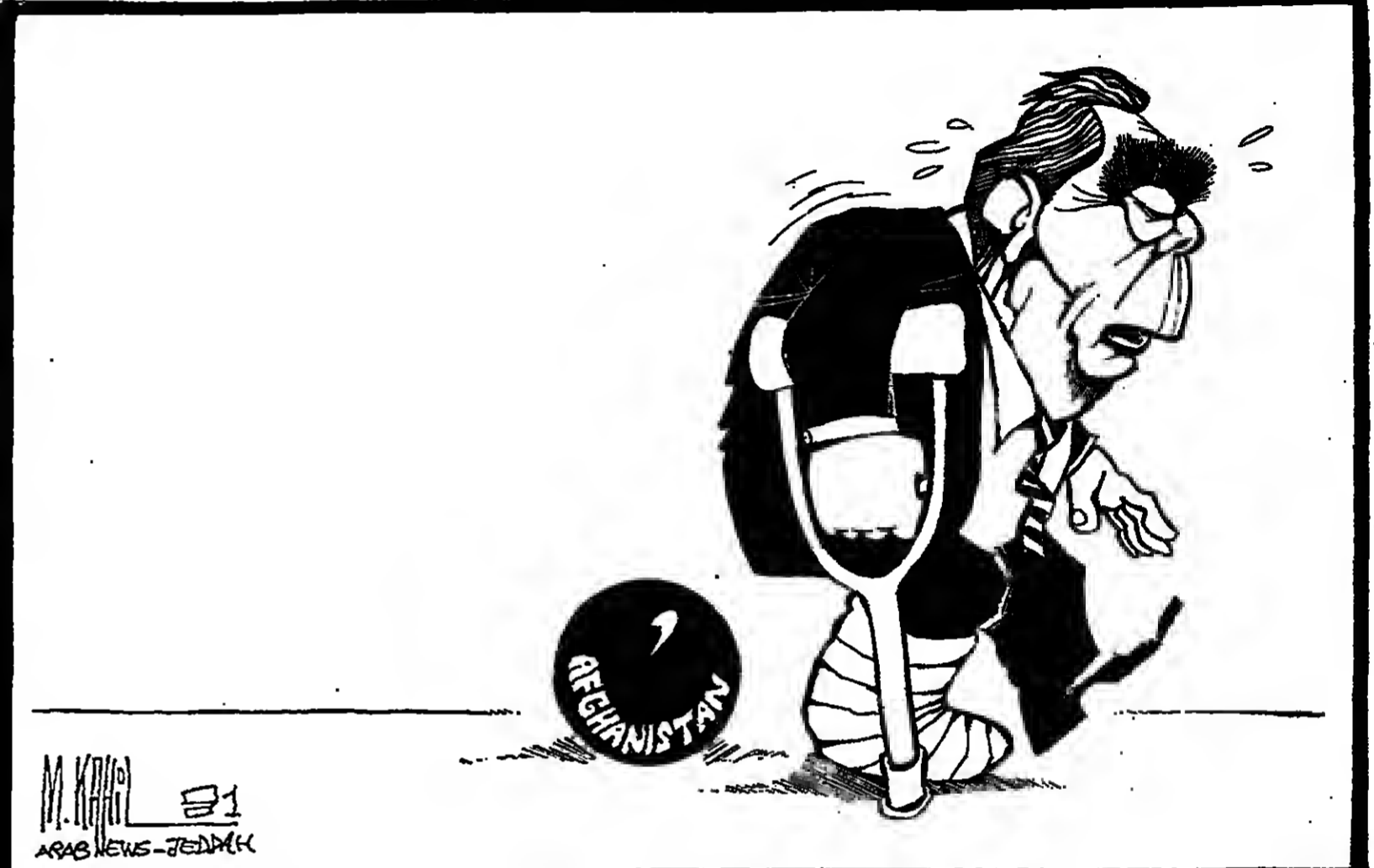
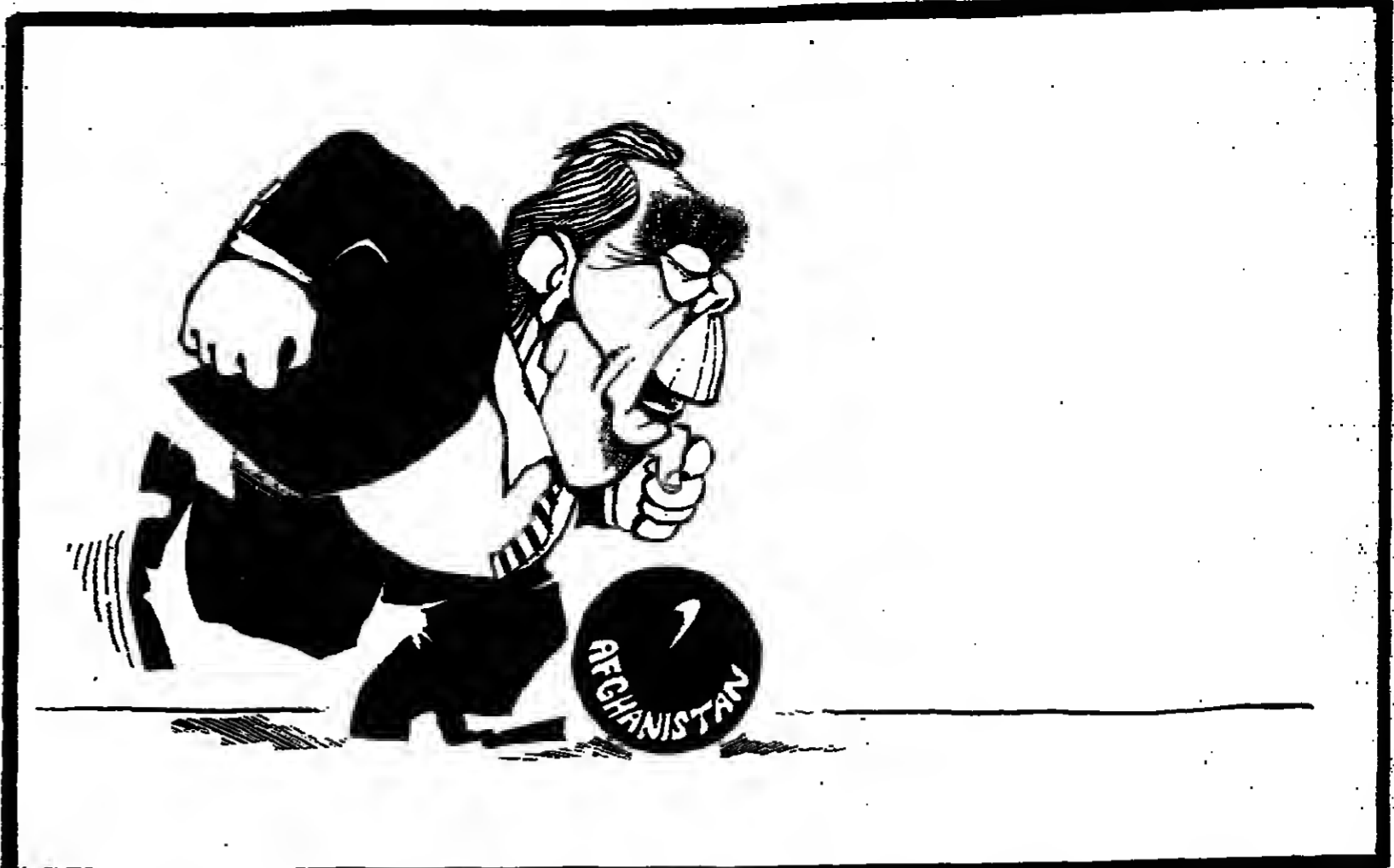
The United States, officials say, is still studying the question of if and when such planes would be included. But U.S. officials stress that in attempting to set equal, initial ceilings on European-based arms, they are talking about missiles and not aircraft. Furthermore, if the negotiations ever get around to aircraft, the United States is prepared to argue that all Soviet aircraft that can reach Western Europe, including those based in Poland, East Germany and Czechoslovakia, should also be put on the table.

The United States will also insist that whatever agreements are reached be verifiable. But officials acknowledge that, because these weapons are so small and numerous, this will be more demanding than in any past arms control agreements. So among other things there is no decision yet as to whether on-site inspection, in which observers actually go into both countries to verify compliance, will be demanded, something else that would require a major political breakthrough.

When NATO agreed to the arm-and-talk plan in 1979, it was stated that the talks go ahead within the framework of the SALT strategic arms process. But as of now, officials say it also is not clear what relation TNF will have to SALT.

On the one hand, the Reagan administration was made clear it does not like past SALT agreements and will not accept the SALT II pact signed by former President Carter and Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev in 1979. On the other hand, officials acknowledge that the TNF limits are largely meaningless without limits on strategic weapons because strategic weapons, if there are enough of them, can be used to hit all the theater targets as well.

Similarly, the U.S. administration is anxious that the new NATO missiles be perceived in Western Europe as part of "a seamless web," as officials put it, of American protection that runs from conventional forces through theater nuclear forces and up to the big strategic forces. In other words, the United States does not want the TNF talks to heighten the very perception that Moscow is seeking to implant in Europe, namely that the United States is preparing to fight a war in Europe that won't encompass the American homeland. (WP)



MUBARAK CONFIRMATION

Egypt holds a referendum today to confirm Vice President Hosni Mubarak as Egypt's next president after the death of President Sadat.

It is usual for a referendum to be held to decide between more than one person or on more than a single way of resolving the issue. In this case, there is no other candidate than Mubarak, neither his own party nor that of the opposition has put anyone else forward. Which means that even if the people, unexpectedly, voted overwhelmingly for Sufi Abu Taleb, the acting president, he will not become president, as he is not the candidate who already has the support of two thirds of the People's Assembly.

The case then is Mubarak has become the president-designate even before the ballot boxes are filled. All the actual casting of public vote will decide is by what margin. And here, previous experience tells that margin will not be less than 97 percent of the total vote.

Egypt had held referendums several times before. But in all cases, and however nominally, the people were being asked to support or reject something, to decide on an issue rather than merely confirm what has already taken place.

In this case, once Sadat's death was confirmed, everyone knew that Vice President Mubarak was the next president, and that Abu Taleb's presidency was a formality until the proper steps have been taken. And it was not to Abu Taleb that foreign statesmen, in Cairo for the late president's funeral, spoke about the future, but to Mubarak.

Egypt thus already has its president, and the world can expect to see soon which direction he will take, in this particularly painful and dangerous time for Egypt and the Arab world.

Crucial elections in Greece

By Gillian Whittaker

ATHENS —

Greeks vote Oct. 18 in an election which could determine whether this NATO country will maintain its close ties with the West, or experiment with socialism and nonalignment. The leftist-oriented Panhellenic Socialist Movement (PASOK) Greek, is challenging the rule of the conservative New Democracy Party.

Premier George Rallis, 62, who has headed New Democracy since May 1980, has predicted a better showing for his party than the 42.9 percent it polled in the 1977 elections. His tireless opponent, Andreas Papandreu, is equally confident of a PASOK victory.

Opinion polls in the Athens area, almost all conducted for left-leaning newspapers and magazines, show the Socialists with a substantial lead.

The charismatic Papandreu has based his campaign on a call for major changes including withdrawal from NATO, closing U.S. military bases in Greece and restructuring the country's membership in the European Economic Community. He has also called for "socialization" — his style of nationalization — of banking, chemicals, shipbuilding, and other key industrial sectors.

Both the conservatives and the Moscow-line Communists, Greece's third-largest party, have accused Papandreu of leaving enough holes in his platform to permit him to steer a more moderate course if elected.

The New Democracy platform firmly places Greece in the Western camp, although it also calls for "sincere friendship and cooperation" with other countries including its Soviet bloc Balkan neighbors and the Arab world.

New Democracy has ruled Greece since democracy was restored in 1974 at the end of the military dictatorship. Political analysts say Socialists may now benefit from a change among the almost 7 million Greek voters.

France struggles against inflation

PARIS —

France's Socialist government, after more than four months battling to beat unemployment, has now altered course to include the fight against inflation as a top priority. International lack of confidence in Prime Minister Pierre Mauroy's radical economic program of nationalizations, higher state spending and an expanding budget deficit forced France to devalue the franc against the currencies of continental neighbors two weeks ago, the first such move for 12 years.

To make a success of the three percent devaluation within the European Monetary System (EMS), Finance Minister Jacques Delors has since had to introduce partial price controls, aim for a much lower inflation figure next year and start talks with the trade unions on holding back nominal wage rises.

The devaluation — 8.5 percent against the upvalued West German mark and Dutch guilder — makes French exports to other countries within the EMS cheaper but imports become more expensive and could push the inflation rate up further.

Economists say Mauroy still wants to prevent unemployment topping two million this winter — that would be around eight percent of the workforce — but the harsh realities of the worldwide recession have forced the Socialists to adopt tougher economic policies. France is now trying to reconcile its goal of faster economic expansion with some monetary firmness in order to win back international confidence, they said.

The government is aiming for growth in the Gross National Product, the total output of goods and services in the economy, of 3.3 percent next year after an expected 0.5 percent rise this year. But a few days ago Delors said it must also reduce inflation in 1982 to 10 percent from the current 13.6 percent and an expected rate of at least 14 percent by the end of 1981.

In order to overcome the recession it has tabled a 1982 budget showing a sharply higher 95.4 billion franc deficit (\$17.35 billion). It is now making strenuous efforts to assure skeptical investors that the final outcome will not be a deficit of 140 billion francs (\$25 billion) as forecast by leading opposition politicians.

A communique after a regular cabinet meeting last week promised that spending by the state, local authorities and health services would be controlled and no new spending would be authorized unless it was matched by fresh income. The temporary price controls announced last Monday cover all services and some major foods while price rises for industrial products will be held down to eight percent and importers will not be allowed to increase their profit margins.

The initial reaction from most trade unions to Delors' attempts to persuade them to follow a moderate line in wage demands was lukewarm. It ranged from unwilling acceptance to a strong protest from the Communist-dominated CGT Union.

Outgoing CGT chief Georges Seguy said in a speech on Thursday night that workers had heard with serious concern rumors of a return "to the incomes policy of sad memory." He added that the CGT would not accept "the re-establishment of a system conceived to favor the bosses to the disadvantage of the workers."

Seguy was alluding to attempts by former President Valery Giscard d'Estaing to enforce a form of incomes policy by putting financial pressure on private employers to accept wage rises not fully covered by productivity increases.

The Communist position in this debate is now more important since the party has four ministers in the government.

Giscard d'Estaing, in his first public statement since he lost the presidency in May, said that the franc devaluation was solely the result of Socialist policies — which the government denies — and added it was the first alarm signal.

Economists said it appears that the government is being forced into adopting some form of prices and incomes policy to underpin its higher spending, but they said that full-scale controls on prices and any form of legal controls on wages are most unlikely and would probably prove unworkable.

Any further cut in French interest rate is likely to be gradual as the government does not wish to leave the franc open to attack on the foreign exchange markets, where there is a feeling that the devaluation may not have been enough. — (R)

Brazil has two presidents

By Peter Eisner

BRASILIA, Brazil —

Brazil, for the time being, has two presidents. One sits in the presidential palace, officially wielding power but finding little to do. The other stays at home, recuperating from a heart attack but pointedly busy conferring with top aides. For Brazilians, having two presidents is less of a novelty than the fact that one is a civilian — the first in more than 17 years.

Vice President Aureliano Chaves, under provisions of the constitution, is fulfilling all official duties while President Joao Figueiredo recovers from a heart attack suffered on Sept. 18. Figueiredo has resumed well-publicized meetings with key advisers at his presidential estate in suburban Rio de Janeiro, 1,100 kilometers southeast of the Brazilian capital.

Figueiredo's return to office is expected to take eight weeks — if his physicians rule out heart surgery, officials said.

Chaves, a 52-year-old former state governor who was appointed vice president by Figueiredo, has been sitting in the presidential palace since Sept. 23 with a reduced staff and limited responsibilities. Although he is keeping a pledge to be "loyal to the commitments assumed by President Figueiredo," he has also taken several occasions to remind Brazilians that a civilian is in office.

Diplomats here praised the orderly transfer of power. It was also a welcome surprise to most Brazilians who had feared the right-wing military would not allow a civilian president, even a temporary one. Some observers, however, speculate that the military consented to Chaves serving as acting president only after it became clear that Figueiredo's condition had stabilized.

Press commentary nonetheless has said the precedent of having a civilian in charge could be a test for future presidential succession.

Chaves came to power as Figueiredo's appointed vice president and was inaugurated with him on March 15, 1979. As acting president, Chaves has been careful to avoid any confrontation, but has subtly emphasized his legislative and republican preferences.

The military has found occasions to show that Figueiredo is still in charge and Chaves has become less and less visible. Chaves surprised politicians at a palace ceremony by failing to mention the military in a speech in which he praised and encouraged contact with the news media, and declared himself "a man deeply rooted in the legislative process."

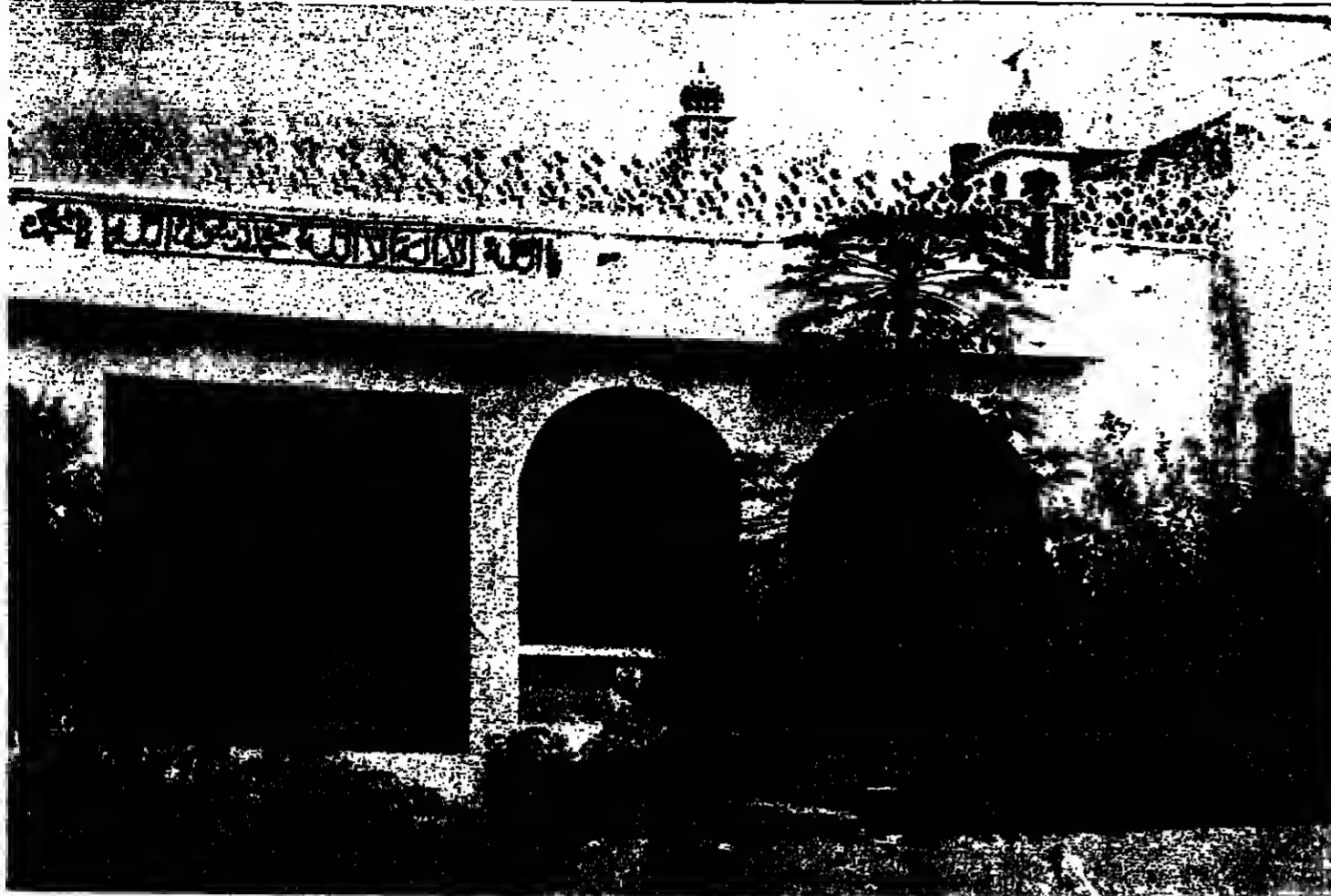
He followed that by making symbolic visits to the congress — which has little legislative power — and to the supreme court. However, he refused a meeting with the nation's most important labor leader, Luiz Inacio da Silva, president of the Socialist-oriented Labor Party.

Figueiredo customarily shuns direct contact with the press and has blamed congressional opponents for threatening his pledge to restore democracy here. The 63-year-old Figueiredo has sponsored a liberalization program that has included amnesty for political prisoners and exiles, a marked decrease in censorship and a promise to hold elections in 1982. Those would be the first full federal, state and local balloting since 1965.

Figueiredo and his military-backed government have drawn the line at direct election of a president, an appointed post that is confirmed by a government-controlled electoral college. These has been constant debate about whether a civilian might be allowed to succeed Figueiredo when his term ends in 1985, and Chaves has been named as one contender.

The military is known to be sensitive about suggestions it might relinquish its considerable power. Seven of 21 cabinet level ministers are military men; hundreds more are dispersed throughout the federal and state government.

Following Chaves' ascension, military leaders were clearly anxious to make themselves visible at Figueiredo's side. Gen. Octavio Medeiros, the national information service chief, stayed close by Figueiredo as did Gen. Danilo Venturini, the presidential military cabinet chief. Figueiredo resumed daily meetings with his top military and civilian advisers and has remained highly visible. (AP)



LAMU MOSQUES: East African links with the Arab world date back more than two hundred decades. There are 23 mosques on the island of Lamu with the majority built between 1821 and 1860.

Africa's idyllic, palm fringed east coast

Arab, Islamic traditions prevail on the island of Lamu

By Kathy Lund

LAMU, Kenya — In Kenya there's an old Swahili proverb which advises: "If you are going to stay in a place, build." This is exactly what waves of Arab traders have done over the centuries along Africa's idyllic, palm fringed east coast. — Their decision to settle had a marked impact on the culture — in the spread of Islam, in the Swahili language itself and in towns which feature narrow winding balconied streets. But nowhere is the legacy of Arab influence so overwhelming as on the fascinating island of Lamu.

Situated just off the Kenyan coast, about 200 kilometers north of Mombasa, Lamu has resisted the rush and bustle of the 20th century to remain what has been described as "a living epitome of most coastal towns throughout the Arab heyday." Cars are banned and only donkeys and carts wend their way along narrow, maze-like streets; women glide anonymously by covered from head to toe in their black boubous, the local version of the abaya; and stopping to chat with neighbors and friends still takes precedence over the "nine to five" existence.

"In Lamu," says one of its fervent admirers, "you find a vibrant society in a love-marriage with its traditions." The story is told of an old Arab who, on finding out that the telephone line was being extended to the island some years back, commented that "never mind, the elephants on the mainland will soon knock down the poles." Not only does Lamu cling jealously to its traditions, it nurtures the Islamic religion with devotion. East African links with the Arab world date back some two hundred decades. By the 10th Century certainly the adventurous Arab traders who plied the rich routes to India and China had set up trading establishments along the coast. These is definite evidence on Lamu's neighboring island of Manda of settlement from the 9th Century and excavations have proved that the people living there "were wealthy and very much under the cultural influence of Persia."

The traders used the monsoon winds to take the treasures of Africa, such as ivory, to India and China; and, when the monsoons changed direction later, used them to bring back prized porcelains and celadins of China and the spices of India and its neighboring islands. Although the local Swahili "Lamu Chronicle" claims the town was founded by Arabs in the 7th Century, the discovery of old Islamic and Chinese porcelain on Manda suggests strongly that this was really the oldest site on the coast. An Arab geographer, Abu al-Mahasin, was the first to mention Lamu by name, in 1402.

The 13th Century saw waves of Muslim expansion down the East African coast. Mixed with the traders were refugees from Mongol incursions into the eastern side of the Islamic world. According to one Lamu historian, by the 14th Century the kings and merchants of the region were devout Muslims. So much so that they "impressed such well-travelled outsiders as Ibn Battuta with their strict adherence to Qur'anic law." In more recent years, two noted African historians, Roland Oliver and John Fage, have written that, under the aura of Islamic civilization, Africa was better off than it would have been under Western influence.

Arab construction methods were also introduced and stone buildings in the towns replaced the more simple mud dwellings. Coral rag and excellent mud plaster became the order of the day and proved rather more durable constructions than their predecessors.

The 15th Century brought with it the threat of the Portuguese, a menace that was to last for many decades. Ironically, the Portuguese had learned many of their navigational skills from the Arabs. In the wake of the Moorish incursions into the Iberian Peninsula they had followed their former conquerors back into North Africa where many had become bodyguards or mercenaries for the sultans, picking up in the process much of the knowledge the Arab world had gained of far off lands and how to get there.

As a local historian comments "They jealously guarded all the information they had gathered from Arabs and soon became convinced that Africa was surrounded by the ocean and that it would be feasible to sail around it and eventually reach India." Apparently Portugal's Prince Henry the Navigator spurred this Age of Discovery after sniffing the first spring of rosemary, brought to him from Cape Bojador. Lured by

the rich promise of spices and gold Portuguese seafarers, capitalized on the invaluable lead given by the earlier Arab traders to launch a new era in world history.

The immediate future did not augur well for Lamu and the other coastal settlements. The Portuguese were intent on enforcing their sovereignty over the trading routes and the trading towns, and also extracted their due in taxes. Naturally the sultanates along the coast were keen to overthrow and oust the Portuguese, so when a Turkish emir called Mirale Bey called for a Jihad against the



NARROW STREETS: There is only one car in Lamu and all transportation is by donkey or on foot. The Arabian influence is evident both in the dress and the balconies.

intruders he quickly found support. Such action was not greeted kindly by the Portuguese who took retaliatory action against the insurrectionists, an action that led to the execution of the Lamu sheikh toward the end of the 16th century.

The Portuguese were to act once more against the rulers of Lamu almost a century later, but happily for Lamu it was more a "sawnsong than a further victory. In 1678 the intruders again put a Lamu king to death but it was "not so much a retaliatory measure as the last desperate action of a conqueror who sees his gains irretrievably slipping from his grasp." By this time the Omani Arabs were gaining in influence along the African coast.

The ascendancy of Zanzibar also saw Lamu's star rising. The trade generated by the Omani merchants brought Lamu into its Golden Age. According to a Lamu history these Arab traders brought in capital and business acumen and launched Lamu into international trade on a scale hitherto

unknown on the north coast. Plantations were opened and crops such as dhool (a small pea), rice and millet were sown for later export to Arabia. In addition, the mainland was rich in elephants, whose ivory was much sought after in India, while cowrie shells, another prized trade item, were abundant on the reefs. During the moonsoon season dhows would crowd the Lamu harbor to take their fill of both commodities. So prosperous did the trade make Lamu that it became by the mid-19th Century, the most important town on the entire East African coast, after Mombasa.

Such prosperity resulted in a building boom in Lamu, not least in the construction of mosques. Of the town's 23 mosques, the majority were built between 1821 and 1860. The march of time and the vagaries of history — predominantly the ending of slavery and the European "scramble for Africa" — saw Lamu's star decline. But trade still remains its lifeblood and the lifestyle built up over the centuries is greatly treasured.

Although Lamu's heyday was not reached until the 18th century, as a town on the trade routes it enjoyed almost throughout its history an exotic lifestyle enhanced by the riches and luxuries that the merchants brought in from the mystical East. A further bonus was the architectural style of their houses inherited from their Arab forebearers which provided a splendid setting for the fine ornaments from far corners of the globe that graced their abodes. The interesting booklet *Quest For the Past, An Historical Guide to the Lamu Archipelago*, by Kenya scholars Chrysee MacCasler Perry Martin and her husband Esmond Bradley Martin, contains an interesting description of the lifestyle enjoyed by rich Lamuans around the 15th and 16th centuries.

"Inside their walls, the visitor would have first crossed a courtyard to a verandah shaded by a palm frond, 'makuti', roof. The benches were built of stone and were simply projections of the building itself. Mats and possibly a few pillows were spread out. The master of the house might have been sitting here, one leg resting on top of the other, in graceful recline. Supposing he was a very rich merchant, his elegantly draped turban would be of silk and his dress and striped caftan with flowing sleeves, the material imported from Cambay in India. He did his entertaining here or in the reception rooms just inside, where the walls were hung with finely woven Persian carpets and sculptured niches held ornamental Chinese porcelain dishes and pottery lamps with wicks laid flat as in ancient Rome.

Luxury played as much a part in the lives of the women as the men. Gold bangles covered their arms up to the elbow; others jingled

from their ankles. Crystal, carnelian, agate, and glass beads were strung from almost everywhere...If the guest were staying for dinner his food was prepared in the kitchen in "sufurias", large earthenware pots. The serving dishes included decorated brass trays, blue and white porcelain plates of the Ming dynasty, depicting oriental landscapes, posey patterns and frolicking animals...

Food for the master and his guest was superb. Pilaffs expertly seasoned with cloves, pepper, cinnamon, and ginger; entrees of roast mutton in rich, aromatic sauces; delicately sauteed chickens and shish kebabs cooked over mangrove charcoal; sweets such as banana cooked in coconut milk and fresh mangoes were familiar fare."

The lifestyle lingers on, and if a visitor to the island is very lucky, he may be invited to view some of the delightful old homes, themselves dating back over a century or more, and following the same lines as their forebearers establishments.

The high coral and limestone walls of the houses, which form the walls of the alleyways, give no hint of the elegance and comfort that lie within. On the ground floor a refreshingly cool reception area opened out onto a courtyard lush with plants and vines. In between, a small rectangular blue tiled pool with six niches set in round the sides so family members could splash their toes in the water on hot days. Upstairs lay the family living area — separate accommodation for the boys and girls — more courtyard space, comfortable Swahili furnishings and Persian rugs on the floor. On the roof, more outdoor relaxation areas and a palm frond covered area to provide shade.

Lamu's limited communications system and geographical position have thus far played an important part in helping the island to retain its traditions. Most tourists come in light aircraft, seating only six or seven passengers, which land on a rough bush airstrip on neighboring Manda Island. From there it's a five to ten minute ride across the channel in an open boat with a noisy engine. But the view of the township as the boat approaches is more than worth the trip. What meets the eye is a fascinating mixture of colonial and Arab architecture and African thatched roofs set amidst minarets and palm trees.

It's not quite true to say there are no cars on Lamu. There is in fact one. It is owned by the district commissioner who drives it from his home to the office. Other than that no cars are allowed — and as you wander through the town it's not difficult to see why the ban exists. Cars simply wouldn't fit. Thus all transport and carrying is provided by donkeys and large hand-drawn barrows. When one of the latter comes trundling along the alleyways it's advisable to move right to the side.

One of the highlights of a trip to Lamu is a visit to its excellent museum, opened in 1971, and housed in an old colonial mansion that was once the home of the district commissioner. The museum brings home with some impact just how discerning a lifestyle Lamuans enjoyed at the height of the trading days.

Treasures on display in the museum include carved canopy beds, giraffe bone and ivory inlaid armchairs; carved window and doorframes; intricate cooking utensils such as vermicelli makers and coconut graters; cop-



MANGROVE WOOD: This wood is stacked and awaiting shipment to numerous Arab countries.

per trays and brass water pots; silver cosmetic bottles and jars decorated with little bells and chains. The wealth of the former lifestyle is further highlighted by exhibitions of European and Chinese ceramics, Malabar writing boxes, Gulf chests, and Omani wedding belts.

Many of the items which Lamuans traded in return for these treasures in days gone by still provide the local inhabitants with their income. One of the biggest money makers is mangrove wood, some of the greatest markets for which are nearby Arab countries, including Saudi Arabia. It's an industry that's very obvious to the visitor. The whole foreshore and waterfront is stacked high with piles of timber lengths waiting for export. And right in the middle of town is being constructed the largest dhow ever especially to carry the mangrove wood to Arabian buyers. Other commodities produced by Lamu include charcoal (again from mangrove wood), coconuts and coconut products, sesame seed products and fish.

A further highly productive industry is wood carving, an art which is very much part of Lamu's Arab heritage. In another little workshop along the water front local youths sit patiently at their workbenches carving wooden facades in patterns that have been handed down for generations. Many of the facades are used for elaborate door frames — very popular in Lamu — and often they carry inscriptions from the Qur'an. Carved wooden chests in the Arabian Gulf tradition are also made and prove a popular purchase for outsiders, including tourists, although transporting them to the mainland is not easy.

A love of poetry is another tradition the Lamuans have inherited from their Arab ancestors. However the poems are written, not in Arabic, but in Swahili, the mlaaito Language of East Africa. The verses often express the spirit of Islam. The Martins comment that "because education until recently was exclusively in the hands of the religious leaders, and because much of the poetry was originally intoned in the mosques, the standard of versification is very high indeed." Poetry is so much part of the traditional lifestyle that during general elections verses become part of the campaign to woo votes.

But the Arab world's greatest gift to Lamu was the religion of Islam, and this lifestyle forms the basis of what the islanders today are trying to preserve. With 23 mosques for a population of 8000 Lamu is well served with places for prayer. The most commanding of these is called the Riyadali, built in 1900, and the center of the "Maulidi" celebrations. The most respected of Lamu's religious teachers was one, Habib Salih, a Sharif with family connections in the Hadramaut, who made his home on the island in the 1880s. His sons continued his teachings after his death in 1935. Just across the square from the mosque a brand new Quranic school is being built for the schoolboys of the island to continue their studies of the Quran and the alphabet.

Lamu can be reached readily by light plane and boat from either Malindi or Mombasa. It is possible to take a day tour from Mombasa, taking in Lamu and another spot, called Robinson Island, a remote beach among the mangroves which boasts nothing more than a sandy-floored, thatch-roofed restaurant featuring some delicious seafood. Full day trips to Lamu are also available, but one has to wait until there are enough people wanting to go. The cost from Mombasa was around SR500, which included the Robinson Island feast.

Those wanting to spend longer on the island (and it is worth staying to savour the soothing effect of a place where time has stood still) will find adequate accommodation available. First there are eight 18th Century townhouses, restored on the initiative of the very active Lamu Society, and available for rent at around SR100 per night, which includes a servant. Then there is the Peponi Hotel, situated at the entrance to Lamu harbor in a village called Sheila. It was here, according to the hotel's blurb, "amongst the fabulous sand dunes... that Lamu's inhabitants inflicted a disastrous defeat upon an army dispatched from Mombasa and Pate, and opened the door to a direct revival of Omani influence from Muscat." From the hotel one steps straight onto a beach which overlooks Manda Island and stretches for over 12 kilometers with no other signs of habitation to disturb the view.

Petley's Inn is located right next door to the museum on the waterfront. It was established in 1948 by Percy Petley, a farmer from the Witu area on the mainland, famed for his fantastic hunting feats. The story most often told is of the time he dealt with a leopard bare-handed. In 1957 the proprietorship of the inn was taken over by a Colonel Pink, an even more colorful character, notwithstanding name, than his predecessor. The colonel had been Britain's consul at Harar, in Ethiopia, before retiring to Lamu. He had an Oxford degree, was a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society and had a fiery disposition.

How much longer Lamu can resist the merciless march of time is anybody's guess. But there are a growing number of Lamuaphiles who join the islanders in their desire to make it standstill — or at least slow it down considerably. After experiencing the car-free, timeless delights of this yesterday world one can sympathize with the following agonized comment on time and living with the automobile: the smallest interval of time known to man is "that which occurs between the traffic signal turning green and the taxi driver behind you blowing his horn."



LAMU MUSEUM: Opened in 1971, it is housed in an old colonial mansion that was once the home of the district commissioner. The museum brings home with some impact just how discerning a lifestyle Lamuans enjoyed at the height of the trading days.

Vikings, Rams chalk out narrow wins

49ers give Cowboys a thrashing

NEW YORK, Oct. 12 (AP) — Joe Montana threw for two touchdowns, including a 78-yarder to Dwight Clark, to lead the San Francisco 49ers to a 45-14 drubbing of Dallas, handing the Cowboys their worst defeat in 11 seasons.

Montana's heroics kept the surprising 49ers tied for first in the National Conference West with the Los Angeles Rams, who edged the Atlanta Falcons 37-35 on Frank Corral's 25-yard field goal with 24 seconds remaining.

Also winning at the wire were the Minnesota Vikings, who upset the San Diego Chargers 33-31 on a 38-yard field goal by Rick Danmeier as time ran out.

Meanwhile, the Kansas City Chiefs kept the Oakland Raiders off the scoreboard for the third game in a row, registering a 27-0

seconds of the third quarter. First Montana, who completed 19 of 29 pass for 279 yards, and Clark connected on their bomb, then cornerback Ronnie returned an intercepted Danny White pass 41 yards for another score.

Dallas scored on a 22-yard pass from running back Drew Pearson to Tony Hill and a 72-yard fumble return by cornerback Benny Barnes. Tooy Dorsett, the Cowboys' running back who entered the game as the NFL's top rusher, was held to 21 yards.

The Rams kept pace in the NFC West by dumping the Falcons, who had also been tied for the division lead entering the day. The scene was set for Corral's winning field goal by Leroy Irvin, who returned punts 84 and 75 yards for Los Angeles touchdown. Jeff Rutledge engineered the winning drive after starting quarterback Pat Haden suffered a bruised left leg. For Atlanta, Steve Bartkowski threw three scoring passes and William Andrews rushed for 119 yards.

Danmeier's winning kick for the Vikings came after Terry Lecount had fallen on an inside kick. Seconds earlier, Lecount had scored on a 43-yard pass from Tommy Kramer, but Danmeier's attempt for the tying extra point was wide following a low snap from center. Kramer had four TD passes and 441 yards, outdueling San Diego's Dan Fouts, who wound up with 510 yards and two TDs.

San Diego, now 4-2, dropped out of a first-place tie with Denver in the AFC West as the Broncos beat Detroit behind Craig Morton's three touchdown passes. One of those scores came on a 95-yard pass-and-run play to Steve Watson, who also caught a 40-yard scoring pass. Detroit's Billy Sims had his best day as a pro, rushing for 185 yards and two touchdowns.

Bill Kenney's two touchdown passes keyed the Chiefs' victory over the slumping Super Bowl champion Raiders, who failed to muster an attack even though the entire left side of Kansas City's regular defense was sidelined with injuries. The three consecutive shutouts are the longest scoreless streak in Oakland history and the longest in the NFL since the Brooklyn Dodgers went through six games without scoring at the end of the 1943 and beginning of the 1944 seasons.

Pittsburgh won its fourth straight game and the 12th in a row over the Browns at Three Rivers Stadium. Terry Bradshaw hit John Stallworth with a 9-yard TD pass and Dave Trout kicked two field goals for the Steelers. Cleveland lost starting QB Brian Sipe, whose head was injured on a late hit by linebacker Jack Lambert.

Richard Todd's three scoring passes, including two to Jerome Barkum, raced the Jets to victory over the Patriots. Steve Grogan, subbing for starting quarterback Matt Cavanaugh, directed a New England

comeback that fell short.

The Eagles maintained the NFL's only spotless record with their victory over the Saints. Booker Russell scored twice on 1-yard runs and Ron Jaworski passed for another TD. George Rogers scored on a 5-yard run for New Orleans, now 1-5.

Three TD passes by Ken Anderson against Baltimore's porous defense led the Bengals. The Colts have now allowed 17 scoring passes in six games. A 65-yard pass from Bert Jones to Reese McCall was the only touchdown for Baltimore, a loser for the fifth week in a row.

Ken Stabler, who completed just one pass a week ago, threw for three touchdowns in leading the Oilers past Seattle. Earl Campbell scored twice and gained 186 yards rush-



Rick Danmeier



Frank Corral

shutout.

In other National Football League games Sunday, the Pittsburgh Steelers beat the Cleveland Browns 13-7; the New York Jets edged the New England Patriots 28-24; the Philadelphia Eagles downed the New Orleans Saints 31-14, and the Cincinnati Bengals trounced the Baltimore Colts 41-19.

Also, the Houston Oilers defeated the Seattle Seahawks 35-17, the Tampa Bay Buccaneers downed the Green Bay Packers 21-10, the Washington Redskins whipped the Chicago Bears 23-7, the Denver Broncos beat the Detroit Lions 27-21, and the New York Giants beat the St. Louis Cardinals 34-14. The Miami Dolphins play the Buffalo Bills in Buffalo Monday night.

San Francisco won its fourth games against two losses as Montana combined with Freddie Solomon for the opening touchdown and built a 21-0 first-quarter lead. The 49ers then led the decision with a pair of TDs within 35

ing for Houston. The Seahawks led 10-0 in the early going on a Jim Zorn pass to David Hughes and an Efen Herrera field goal.

The battle of the boys went to Tampa Bay, with Doug Williams passing for one touchdown and running for another. The Packers held an early lead on Gerry Ellis' 7-yard TD run.

Washington won its first game of the season with a big boost from its defense. Linebacker Neal Olkewicz returned an interception to a touchdown and defensive tackle Dave Butz picked off another pass to set up a score. The Bears scored in the final two minutes on a Mike Phipps to Marcus Anderson pass.

The passing combination of Phils Simms to Johnny Perkins accounted for two touchdowns as the Giants whipped the Cardinals. Simms also threw a scoring strike to Earnest Gray and Roh Carpenter rumbled 21 yards for another TD in his New York debut.

Too good for Yanbu

Jeddah RFC keeps winning sequence

By Laurie Thomas

JEDDAH, Oct. 12 — Well, well, well. Is there any stopping Jeddah RFC this season? They overcame their third hurdle Thursday night, in Yanbu, on the way to what could be another unbeaten year. Even an under-strength Jeddah team was too good for Yanbu, touching down two goals and three tries to notch up a 24-4 victory that brings their points total to 102 in only three matches.

Jeddah were without the services of Mortimer-Griffiths, Peter Jenkins, Ieuan Thomas, Micky Evans and Boh Phillips found that this was not their only problem. The match was played in situations for Jeddah.

However, Keith Pollinger crowned his return to the Jeddah team with two tries, the first of which was a magnificent 75 yard sprint that left the opposition trailing way behind in the distance. Dave Pethers touched down and has now scored tries in all three of this seasons matches. However, he managed only one of his three conversion attempts.

Jeddah began well and Steve Gilchrist went over for the first try after only twelve minutes. By that time Yanbu were reduced to fourteen players following an injury to Robbie Roberts. Pollinger scored the first of his two tries with 24 minutes gone to bring the half-time score to 10-0.

Two Jeddah players suffered injuries in the second-half. Mike Hilton went off after only five minutes with a cracked ankle and Brian Gill followed him five



PICKUP: Phil Murray of Jeddah bends to retrieve the ball during the Jeddah RFC match against Yanbu last weekend. Jeddah won 24-4.

minutes later suffering bruised ribs which strangely turned into a leg injury. (However Gill was not available to comment on the rumor that he was only out of breathe and needed a rest!)

Pethers opened the second-half scoring with a try which he also converted. Gill returned refreshed to score a 24th minute try then Pollinger completed the Jeddah points with his second touch-down. A late

burst from Yanbu brought a try from Doom Viant which had the home spectators, estimated at around 300, cheering wildly.

Well, Jeddah take on Tabuk at home this Thursday, but I make no predictions of imminent upsets. Three times bitten four times shy, as they say. Jeddah will be back to full strength and no doubt determined to add another big score to their mounting points tally. The match will start at 5.00 p.m. at the B. & H. Park.

Leeds out to get Andy Gray

Paul Went quits as Orient's manager

LONDON, Oct. 12 (AFP) — Paul Went quit as manager of Second Division bottom club Orient Monday, 20 days after being appointed. In his short reign, Orient have slumped to the bottom of Division Two, with five straight defeats and not a single goal scored.

After Saturday's 3-0 defeat at Watford, 31-year-old Went met club chairman Brian Winston Sunday and, after discussions, he "asked to be relieved of his managerial responsibilities."

One of the names immediately linked with the vacant job is Keo Knighton, sacked six months ago by Sunderland, but Orient said Monday that they have not yet spoken to any potential replacements.

Went, who took over as caretaker from Jimmy Boomfield, when he left after the sale of John Chedozie to Notts County, will not be staying with Orient.

He was appointed on a permanent basis on Sept. 22, but quit "after careful consideration and in view of the club's recent results and general circumstances."

Meanwhile, Leeds United's bid to land Scottish international striker Andy Gray was taken a step further Sunday when chairman Manny Cussins went to Wolverhampton to try to clinch the deal.

Cussins said Sunday: "I put two alternatives to Wolves and they are going to think about them and let us know within the next day or two. I don't wish to answer any further questions."

Cussins declined to give any further details of the meeting, but it is understood that the two alternatives remains, offer of cash plus a player believed to be Arthur Graham, the Scottish international or straight cash.

Timman takes slender lead

TILBURG, Netherlands, Oct. 12 (AP) — Holland's Jan Timman defeated Britain's Tony Miles in eighth-round action Sunday to take a half-point lead on his nearest rival in the field of twelve grandmasters participating in the Interpolis Chess Tournament.

Playing white against Miles' Nimzowitsch Defense, Timman gained an early advantage and, keeping up the pressure, clinched victory in the ending on his 58th.

Former world champions Tigran Petrosian of the Soviet Union, who shared the top spot with Timman at the outset of Sunday's round, settled for a draw with white against Hungary's Lajos Portisch. The game, from a queen's Indian defense, lasted only 13 moves.

The draw caused Petrosian to fall back to second place, half a point ahead of fellow Soviet grandmaster Aleksandr Belyavsky, who defeated Holland's Genna Sosonko with white in 54 moves from a Sicilian defense. Belyavsky still has to complete his adjourned seventh-round game against Miles and may come alongside Timman, if he succeeds in converting his advantage into a victory.

Young Soviet grandmaster Garry Kasparov recovered from his seventh-round defeat and downed Sweden's Ulf Andersson with white in a brilliantly played game over 30 moves from a queen's Indian.

Boris Spasski, the other former world champion from the Soviet Union in the Tilburg tournament, held a slight advantage in his eighth-round encounter with Denmark's Bent Larsen. But the Danish grandmaster

In either event the deal would be worth over a million pounds sterling — a record for Leeds.

Leeds have already spent over one million pounds this season on Peter Barnes and Frank Gray, but they are still bottom of the first division table.

Meanwhile, millwall lifted themselves to

Three killed in soccer riots

BOGOTA, Oct. 12 (R) — Three persons were killed as soccer fans ran riot during a First Division match in the eastern city of Bucaramanga, police said Monday.

The trouble erupted when about 1,000 fans of the local club Bucaramanga rushed on to the field to protest against the referee awarding a goal which put the visiting team Junior ahead 2-1.

Police and troops moved in to protect the referee. The match was suspended as fighting raged on the pitch and in the stands, crowded with 25,000 people. Police said 50 fans were arrested.

third place in the English Third Division table with a convincing win over Walsall at the Den on Sunday while the visitors lost Mark Rees sent off in the second half for throwing a punch.

Millwall's first goal came in the sixth minute when a cross from Dibbel was headed back by Horrix to McKenna to score and in the second-half a shot from Chatterton was scrambled away, but Massey ran in and scored from close range.

Barry Sheene champ

MADRID, Oct. 12 (AFP) — Britain's Barry Sheene, riding a Yamaha, won the 500cc motorcycle international on the Jarama Track here Sunday winning both legs of the race outright.

Stewart may make comeback

LONDON, Oct. 12 (AFP) — Former world champion Jackie Stewart is considering a three million pound offer to make a Formula One Grand Prix comeback.

The 41-year-old Scottish driver, who retired eight years ago after winning three world championships (1969, 71, 73), would not reveal who had made the offer, but he said he would reply one way or the other within the next fortnight.

Stewart said he turned down a similar offer of two million pounds 18 months ago. "I don't really need the money, but it's a hell of a hard job to turn down millions," he explained.

BRIEFS

PARIS (AFP) — Ivan Lendl's two tournament wins in Spain in the past week have boosted him into an impressive lead at the head of the Men's Grand Prix standings.

The 21-year-old Czech, now has 1963 points, which is more than 300 points clear of second placed John McEnroe of the U.S. He now has to hold onto this lead until the end of the year to earn a \$300,000 bonus for topping the Grand Prix.

SYDNEY (AFP) — Parramatta Rugby Union club's hooker Lance Walker Monday was chosen to replace injured Wallaby hooker Bruce Malouf in the Australian team in the British isles. The 25-year-old Walker was chosen by the Australian selec-

tors and his selection confirmed by the Australian Rugby Union following news that Malouf has a broken leg and will miss the entire tour.

LAHORE, Pakistan Oct. (AP) — On the fourth day of the five-day unofficial cricket "Test" here on Monday, the visitors in their second innings had scored 66 runs for the loss of three valuable wickets. The scorers were: Pakistan 408 all out and 356 for four wickets declared. The International eleven 274 all out, and 66 for three.

TOKYO (AP) — Cloudy weather and too few "up-drafts" forced a British pilot to cut short his attempt to fly a motorized glider the length of the Japanese archipelago and dashed his hopes of setting a new record.



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Yankees whip Brewers

Dodgers stage splendid rally

NEW YORK, Oct. 12 (AP) — The Los Angeles Dodgers and Montreal Expos advanced to the National League championship series Sunday while the beleaguered New York Yankees, stung by owner George Steinbrenner's angry tirade, whipped the Milwaukee Brewers 7-3 Sunday night to move into the American League pennant

playoff against the Oakland A's. Coming back from a two-game deficit against Houston, the never-say-die Dodgers won their third straight game in the NL West playoff with a 4-0 triumph over the Astros as Jerry Reuss outpitched Nolan Ryan with a clutch five-hitter.

Steve Rogers, meanwhile, pitched and bat-

ted the Expos their first league championship series with a six-hitter and two-run single as Montreal defeated the Philadelphia Phillies 3-0 in the fifth game of their NL East playoff.

Reggie Jackson, Oscar Gamble and Rick Cerone all hit home runs and Rich Gossage provided spotless relief pitching as the Yankees won the fifth game of the AL East series. They will play in the AL championship series against the A's, who earlier polished off the Kansas City Royals in three games in the West.

Ryan, who had pitched a no-hitter against the Dodgers and allowed only two hits in his previous two outings against them, lasted only six innings this time as the Dodgers reached the hard-throwing right-hander for three runs in the sixth.

The Dodgers came to life as Dusty Baker drew a one-out walk and Steve Garvey followed with a single. Rick Monday delivered the first Dodger run with a single and one out later, Mike Scioscia hit Ryan's first pitch for a base hit to drive home the second.

It was all the support needed for Reuss, who gave up singles in the second, fourth, fifth, sixth and eighth innings but on each occasion shut down Houston. The veteran Dodger left-hander struck out four and walked three.

For Rogers, it was his second triumph of the series over the Phillies and he again beat Philadelphia ace Steve Carlton to seal the victory over the defending world champions. Rogers walked one and struck out two. He was in slight trouble in the first and sixth innings, but pitched out of trouble each time.

Montreal took a 2-0 lead in the fifth on a two-run single by Rogers, his second hit of the game, and boosted their lead to 3-0 in the sixth on Larry Parrish's RBI double.

Losing 2-0 in the fourth, the Yankees got going as Jackson hit a two-run homer and gamble followed with a tie-breaking shot. Cerone later got home the eventual winning run with a grounder and drove in an insurance tally with his homer.

Ironically, it was Cerone who was one of the main targets of Steinbrenner's verbal blast after the Yankees' 2-1 loss to Milwaukee Saturday. In a postgame clubhouse lecture, the Yankee owner threatened to make wholesale changes if his high-salaried ballclub was eliminated and reportedly had Cerone in tears because of it.

Rugby tie abandoned

LONDON, Oct. 12 (AP) — Tragedy struck at a First Division Rugby League game Sunday when Whitehaven and Great Britain scrum-half Arnold Walker was seriously injured.

The game between Whitehaven and Hull Kingston Rovers was abandoned with eight minutes still to play when the 29-year-old star lay on the field surrounded by officials and ambulance men.

An ambulance had to be driven on the Whitehaven pitch because the player was too severely injured to be moved. Walker, one of the game's biggest stars, was thought to have suffered a broken neck.



VICTORY SMILE: Spain's Severiano Ballesteros is all smiles as he poses with the Suntory Golf title after beating Ben Crenshaw by a hole Sunday.

Ballesteros edges out Crenshaw in thriller

VIRGINIA WATER, England, Oct. 12 (AP) — Severiano Ballesteros of Spain, after trailing nearly all day, edged American Ben Crenshaw by one hole in a tense 36-hole head-to-head duel to win the Suntory World Match Play Golf Championship Sunday.

Crenshaw narrowly missed with a nine-foot putt on the last hole that would have sent the match to sudden death.

Ballesteros' victory, achieved after fond strenuous days in changing weathers, was worth \$69,000. Crenshaw collected \$36,800 as runner-up.

A crowd of more than 4,000 followed the close match around Wentworth's 6,945-yard, par 35-37-72 course.

Bill Rogers, defeated Bernhard Langer of Germany 4 and 3 over 18 holes in the play-off for third place. Rogers won \$25,300 and Langer \$20,700.

After hailstones and a thunderstorm in the second round and torrential rain throughout Saturday Ballesteros and Crenshaw and sunshine for their big match. "It has been a pretty hard four days," Ballesteros said. "But when you win a big tournament it doesn't seem tough any more."

Crenshaw, shorter than Ballesteros with his drives but putting immaculately, finished the morning round with a two-under-par 70 and was two holes up. Crenshaw three-putted at the 21st and lost a hole, and Ballesteros squaded the match by rolling in a 14-foot (4-in) birdie putt at the 24th.

The Spaniard went ahead for the first time in the match in the 186-yard 28th. He took a

7-iron off the tee, planted his ball four feet from the cup and knocked in the putt for a birdie. But Crenshaw went ahead again with winning birdies at the next two holes.

At the 32nd Ballesteros canned one from six feet for a half, and said afterwards it was his most vital putt of the day. "If I had missed that one he would have been two-up and four holes to play," the Spaniard said. "I don't know if I would have been able to come back."

One hole later Ballesteros laid a 7-iron to three feet and knocked in the putt for a birdie. Next he potted one from 20 feet for another birdie at the 34th and was one-up with two to play.

Crenshaw levelled again by birdying the next hole, and they went to the last one square. Ballesteros was on the green in two and got a birdie four. Crenshaw was in a bunker with his second, but pitched out to six feet and had a chance to stay alive. But he missed the putt.

"He scarcely missed a putt all day until that last green," Ballesteros said. "I thought we might be playing until it was dark."

Ballesteros, who had regulation figures for the morning round, tamed the course on the second time around in 34-33 — 67, five under par. He shot nine birdies during the day against Crenshaw's eight.

Crenshaw's figures for the day, 70-70-140, were four under par and among the best of the tournament. Rogers was five-up on Langer after six holes of their duel for third place, and then held on to his lead.

Snead downs Sullivan for Southern Open

COLUMBUS, Georgia, Oct. 12 (AP) — Veteran J.C. Snead, who hasn't won in five years, knocked in a tap-in putt for a par on the second hole of a sudden death playoff Sunday to capture the \$200,000 Southern Open Golf Tournament over defending champion Mike Sullivan, who bogeyed.

Snead, who will be 40 on Wednesday, knocked in a 25-30-foot putt on the 18th hole in regulation to make the playoff and finish with a 66 and 72-hole total of 271, 9-under-par over the 6,791-yard Green Island Country Club course.

Sullivan blistered the course for a 64 Sunday, including six birdies and a bogey to equal Snead after regulation.

Both players bogeyed the par 4, 426-yard first hole in the overtime before Snead won it on the par 3, 177-yard second hole, hitting his first shot 20 yards from the pin. Sullivan shot over the green on his first shot, and couldn't get down in the strokes to lose the playoff.

Snead, who has won seven tournaments in his 14 years on the tour, last won in 1976 when he won the Kaiser International at NAPA, California. The \$36,000 first prize increased his career earnings to more than \$1.2 million. For the year, he has made \$127,075. Sullivan took home \$21,600 to increase his yearly take to more than \$92,000.

Jeff Mitchell, the co-leader entering Sunday's final round with rookie Payne Stewart, shot an even par 70 and was one shot back of the leaders at 272. Stewart came in with a 73, getting four bogies in his last time holes, to finish in a four-way tie for ninth place.

Peter Jacobsen and Jim Boorco tied for fourth at 273. Jacobsen had a 69 and boored a 68. Another shot back at 274 were Greg Powers, Vance Heafner and George Burns. Powers had a 66, Heafner 69 and Burns a 70.

Meanwhile, Hollis Stacy copped a 7-foot birdie putt on the first extra hole of a four-way playoff to win the \$150,000 Inamori Classic at Almaden Golf and Country Club.

Donna Caponi lost an opportunity to extend the playoff another hole when she missed a 2-foot putt in her birdie attempt. Defending champion Amy Alcott also parred the hole, and the fourth member of the playoff, Jan Stephenson, was erased from contention when she hooked her drive out of bounds.

The victory, worth \$22,500, was the second of the year for Stacy, raising her season's total earnings to \$128,242. The playoff competitors each finished the 72 holes of regulation play at 6 under par 286.

"I couldn't believe it when Donna missed that putt," Stacy said. "I was surprised and shocked. But sometimes those can be the toughest to make. With my putt, I was just trying the survive."

Stacy had 27 putts for the regulation play, including 12 on the back nine. Caponi offered no excuse for missing the putt on the playoff hole.



Jerry Reuss



Steve Rogers

Martina stops Bettina

Borg-Clerc to contest final

EDMONTON, Alberta Oct. 12 (AP) — Bjorn Borg playing an unusually aggressive match, broke Wojtek Fibak's service six times en route to a 6-2, 5-7, 6-2 victory Sunday that earned him a berth in Monday's final of the Edmonton Tennis Challenge.

Borg, the top seed from Sweden, will meet second-seeded Jose-Luis Clerc of Argentina, who took advantage of unforced errors by American Brian Gottfried to score a 6-4, 6-4 victory in Sunday's other semifinal match.

Borg broke Fibak's service three consecutive times as he built up a 5-0 lead in the first set. The Polish player recovered in the second set to break Borg in the second game but the Swedish ace came back with a break in the next game. "It was important for me to break him back immediately," said Borg, explaining his almost incredible play in the third game.

Borg had two love games in the set before suddenly running into problems with his backhand volley. That, combined with Fibak's excellent play on the baseline and a couple of drop shots that fooled Borg, produced a service break that gave Fibak the set 7-5.

But there was no doubt about the final set. Borg broke service in game three with two excellent backhand passing shots and broke again in the fifth game for a 4-1 lead. He won the final game with a service ace, a service winner, a tremendous forehand smash to Fibak's right and then forced Fibak deep to his left from where he missed long with an attempt crosscourt passing shot.

Clerc got the only service breaks in his match against Gottfried in the seventh game of the first set and fifth game of the second set.

Gottfried had problems with his foreign and ground strokes throughout the match. In Oldsmar, Florida, top-seeded Martina Navratilova turned back No. 6 seed Bettina Bunge 5-7, 6-2, 6-0 to capture the \$125,000 Florida Federal Open Women's Tennis Tournament Sunday.

Bunge took advantage of Navratilova's weak concentration to win the first set, but Navratilova held her service in the third game of the second set for a 2-1 advantage. The champion dropped the next games, but took the following 10 games from Bunge.

Navratilova said her concentration slipped because she was thinking about a trip she plans to take to Hawaii. "Early in the match, I did start thinking about Hawaii a little bit," Navratilova said. "The palm trees, the beaches, all of that...my concentration wasn't the greatest until I realized I was in trouble."

Navratilova earned \$22,000 for the win while Bunge collected \$11,000. The victory also moved Navratilova into first place ahead of Chris Evert-Lloyd in the Toyota series. The Dallas, Texas, resident picked up 125 points Sunday.

In doubles action, Navratilova and Renata Tomanova dropped a 6-3, 6-4 decision to Rosie Casals and Wendy Turnbull, who picked up \$8,000 in the win. The losers earned \$4,000.

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arabnews Calendar

SAUDI ARABIA	8:00 Arabic News 8:30 Wrestling 9:30 English News 9:45 Documentary 9:50 Arabic Interview Program 10:50 English Film - Mighty Joe Young 11:00 Arabic News	8:00 Local News 8:10 Arabic Series 8:30 Documentary 10:00 World News 10:35 Songs and Program Preview 10:50 English Film (Link with Channel 33)
BAHRAIN Channel 55	2:00 Quran 2:30 Religious Talk 4:20 Program Preview 4:25 Cartoons 4:50 Children's Program 6:00 Protecting the Environment 6:30 Dick Turpin 7:00 Daily Arabic Series 7:45 English News 8:00 Arabic News 8:30 Foreign Series/Learn Arabic	DUBAI Channel 33 6:10 Quran 6:10 Antiques, Animals, Automobiles 6:30 Quran 6:50 Quran 7:00 Top Rank Fight 7:30 Islamic Horizons 8:00 Local News 8:35 Market Forecast 8:30 Last of the Summer Wine 9:00 Wrestling 9:30 English News 10:00 World News 10:25 Young at Heart 10:50 Film (Link with Channel 10)
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Saudi Arabia	Radio Francese	VOA

Crossword
by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- Kitchen lure
- Classy mount
- Convincing
- Ear feature
- Result in
- Discern
- "Sand-Castle" architect
- Guide line
- Posh bash
- Become aware of
- Decorate
- Patrol car equipment
- Rerun
- Renowned
- Exchange
- Punish
- New Guinea airfield
- Favorable finale
- Famous honoree
- May 28, 1934
- Donna or Willis
- Register
- Book of the Bible
- Debauchee
- Demon
- "The ..."
- Brando's first film
- Positive pole

DOWN

- Neighbor of Sask.
- Drawing
- French priest
- "Suds"
- City on the Po
- Pavarotti, e.g.
- Uncommon
- Needlefish
- Beverage
- Cut off
- Baseball canvas, for short
- Journalist
- Tarbell
- Preserve
- Work unit
- Unpleasant
- Tammany
- Figure
- Broadway musical
- Chastity's mother
- In the pink
- Church part
- Nail
- Fluff
- First queen of Great Britain
- Czech river
- Oxford scholar

Yesterday's Answer

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DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE - Here's how to work it:
A X Y D L B A A X R
is LONGFELLOW

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

CRYPTOQUOTES

RY IEAT UFTER BYTRC RITFT
PMCR KT UFTER EMLZTHGTC

RYY - OEDR OIZRPEH
Yesterday's Cryptoquote: MUSIC IS THE ONLY LANGUAGE IN WHICH YOU CANNOT SAY A MEAN OR SARCASTIC THING. -JOHN BERSKINE

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Contract Bridge B. Jay Becker

The Art of Circumvention

East dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 7 6 4
♥ K J 9 8 2
♦ K 9 3
♣ J 3

EAST
♠ 5
♥ Q 10 6 3
♦ 7 5 4
♣ 10 8 7 6 2

SOUTH
♠ A K J 10 9 8
♥ A 5
♦ A Q 2
♣ A Q

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 2♣ Pass 3♥
Pass 3♠ Pass 4♣
Pass 4NT Pass 5♠
Pass 5NT Pass 6♥
Pass 6♣

Opening lead - jack of diamonds.

Declarer generally finds most hands easy to play correctly. Nevertheless, even these easy hands sometimes offer a challenge. There may be built-in traps that cause declarer to go wrong.

For example, take this deal where West led a diamond against six spades. Declarer took the jack with the ace and played the queen on the king, hoping the queen would fall. It didn't, but South did not make

the mistake of thinking he needed a successful club finesse to make the slam. Instead, he played the A-K of hearts and ruffed a heart, hoping the queen would drop. But the queen did not fall - West discarding a low club on the third heart.

Still unwilling to stake the outcome on a club finesse, South now put West on lead with a trump, well aware that West would have to return a club or a diamond and hand South the slam.

As expected, West returned a low diamond, won in dummy with the nine. (This was not surprising, since West's opening lead of the diamond jack strongly suggested he had the ten.)

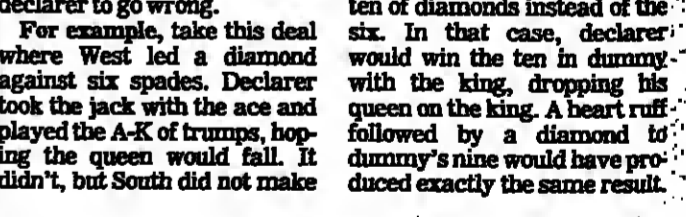
When the nine held the trick the battle was over. South ruffed the nine of hearts, establishing dummy's jack of hearts as a trick. He then returned to dummy with a diamond to the king and discarded the queen of clubs on the jack of hearts.

It would not have helped West at trick eight to lead the ten of diamonds instead of the six. In that case, declarer would win the ten in dummy with the king, dropping his queen on the king. A heart ruff followed by a diamond to dummy's nine would have produced exactly the same result.

Rays - Believe It or Not!

MRS. SANDY CHARLES of Cuba, New Mexico, GAVE BIRTH TO TWIN DAUGHTERS - ONE IN CUBA, N.M., AND THE OTHER IN ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. - 84 MILES AWAY

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Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake
FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1981

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)
Good fellowship marks the day. Speak up at group meetings. Plan a special evening with a close friend. Capitalize on your creative gifts.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)
Keep career expectations within reasonable bounds, even though it's a good time to go after what you want. Initiative brings revenue.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)
Others are prone to exaggerate. Make plans for travel or school. Don't be careless with details. Enjoy popularity at a party.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)
Money can come and go quickly now. Be alert for chances to improve income, but don't let expenses escalate. Safeguard your assets.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
You can overdo the togetherness theme now. Mingle with others to keep your relationship vital and exciting. Seek mental stimulation.

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Social life is active, but be careful not to keep others waiting. You're popular now, and friends will bring you desired benefits.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
There's plenty of activity on both the career and domestic fronts. Afternoon hours bring the chance you've been waiting for.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
Relations with others are very cordial. Travel and distant matters are highly beneficial, but make sure arrangements are carefully planned.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)
Go all-out in business. Contact those in a position to help. Some receive recognition. Don't let financial luck lead to extravagance.

Radio Pakistan
TUESDAY

Morning
Frequency: 17662, 17745, 21700 (kHz)
Wavelengths: 16.96, 16.81, 13.82 (meters)

Evening
Frequencies: 17710, 21755 (kHz)
Wavelengths: 16.74, 13.96, 13.79 (meters)

JEDDAH	Medina Road,	6658397
Al-Shera Pharmacy	Al-Shaba Street	6892173
Al-Haditha (Modern) Pharmacy	King Khalid Street	
Al-Ostima Pharmacy	Al-Dahya Street, East of the bridge	
Al-Shera Pharmacy	Airport Street, Sharaf	6530891
AL-BAHIGH PHARMACY	Manshah Main Street	
Al-Sagoff Pharmacy	Al-Shaba Street	
Al-Shera Pharmacy	Jarir Street	
Al-Waha Pharmacy	Chimra Bin Alfan Street	
Al-Sagoff Pharmacy	Al-Ghobayr's Main Street	
Al-Shera Pharmacy	Shehr District, Main Street	
Al-Shera Pharmacy	Al-Shaba, Main Street	
AL-SHERA PHARMACY	King Fahad Street	
AL-SHERA PHARMACY	Bijlah, Main Street	
AL-SHERA PHARMACY	Rabwah Main, Main Street	
AL-SHERA PHARMACY	Dhahran Street	8521453
AL-SHERA PHARMACY	Al-Shaba, First Street	8641327
AL-SHERA PHARMACY	Madura Street	8551705
AL-SHERA PHARMACY	Enzara Street	3613736

Japan trade surplus soars to \$2.3 billion

TOKYO, Oct. 12 (R) — Japan's trade surplus soared last month to \$2.33 billion as rising exports continued to overshadow any growth in imports, according to government figures Monday based on goods passing through customs.

The September surplus was the biggest of any month this year, more than three times the August surplus of \$747.13 million and two and half times the surplus in the same month a year ago.

The sharp increase brought Japan's visible trade for the first half of the present fiscal year (April to September) into a surplus of \$6.5 billion, a turnaround from a \$5.79 billion deficit a year ago.

Exports for the month showed a rise of nearly 13 percent, while imports were up a mere 0.5 percent, with shipments overseas predictably high in the fields of video tape recorders, electric machinery, ships and steel.

Despite Japanese government pledges to

increase imports from other industrial nations, purchases from the United States in the six months fell by 1.5 percent, while from the European Economic Community (EEC) they rose by only 5.6 percent.

This put Japan's trade surplus for the first half of the fiscal year with the U.S. at \$7.4 billion and with the EEC \$5.4 billion. Both the EEC and the U.S. have been increasing pressure on Japan to find fast ways to reduce the huge trade imbalance, including opening the Japanese market further to foreign companies.

In a related development, reacting to the Japanese trade boom, Sir Raymond Pennock, president of Confederation of British Industry said in London the rate at which Japanese goods were pouring into U.K. was 'alarming'. He said he wanted 'action', adding that 'words are now too late, we must act now.'

Russia admits crop failure

MOSCOW, Oct. 12 (R) — This year's Soviet grain harvest, hit by dry hot weather, could be less than 170 million tons — well short of the Kremlin's target figure of 236 million tons, Soviet agricultural sources said Monday.

They said their estimate of the final total, though unofficial, was based on access to official preliminary harvest figures. It set the crop at least five million tons below the latest U.S. Agriculture Department estimate of 175 million and well below the official plan.

"The harvest was unsuccessful," one

source said. "It was worse than others in recent years behind conditions were bad in all parts of the country, without exception, from Kazakhstan to the black earth regions of Russia. We would be happy if it were around 170 million tons, but it could be a bit less."

The sources correctly predicted the harvest for the last two years, several months before the total was officially announced. And their prediction Monday reinforced a television statement by Agriculture Minister Valentin Mesyats last week that harvest conditions had been 'extremely difficult.'

De Lorean given clean slate

LONDON, Oct. 12 (R) — American John De Lorean was cleared Monday of any financial wrongdoing in setting up an assembly line with heavy British government subsidies to build his 'dread car' in Northern Ireland.

Britain's director of public prosecutions said after a police inquiry he was satisfied there was no evidence to support allegations of financial irregularities against De Lorean or his company. The inquiry was launched last week when British member of parliament Nicholas Winterton alerted authorities to the allegations, made by a former De Lorean employee.

De Lorean, who left the U.S. car company General Motors to build his gull-winged, stainless steel sports car in Northern Ireland, denied the allegations from the outset and is suing for libel. The former employee, Marian Gibson, charged that De Lorean put in only a fraction of his full share of four million sterling (\$7.2 million) required to secure at least \$70 million (\$125 million) in grants and loans from the British government. The plant was built in an economically depressed area of Belfast, employs some 2,400 men and this year turned out the first of the De Lorean sports cars for the U.S. market.

U.S. property lures foreign investors

NEW YORK, Oct. 12 (AP) — Property values are soaring and interest rates have never been higher, but foreigners still seek out U.S. real estate as a refuge for funds in times of economic and political unrest.

Foreigners spent \$2.7 billion to acquire real estate in this country last year, according to the U.S. Commerce Department, and investors and brokers expect the trend to continue.

and a Kuwaiti government offer last week to buy Santa Fe International Corp. for \$2.5 billion.

But many investments in property are accomplished without fanfare. A subsidiary of Air France, a French-government owned airline, said last week that it intends to build its fourth U.S. hotel in San Francisco at a cost of almost \$11 million.

"The great majority of Europe looks upon America as the last bastion of capitalism, freedom and private enterprise," says Giorgio Laurenti, executive vice president and co-founder of Otic Corp., which sells property in the United States to foreigners and helps manage and develop these holdings. Otic has annual sales of more than \$50 million, catering to individual investors and specializing in properties in the \$2 million to \$5 million price range.

Its clients abroad have purchased office buildings in Texas, luxury apartment buildings in New York City and shopping centers in suburban outside New York City. A more ambitious plan is a \$20 million development in Boca Raton, Florida, involving 650 homes, a golf course and 20 tennis courts.

Touche Ross and Co., a major accounting firm, said investment in U.S. property by foreign individuals and corporations increased 334 percent from 1966 to 1977, yet such investments constitute less than 2 percent of the total U.S. real estate market.

In addition to seeking a profit, the attraction of land and buildings in the United States grow amid international economic and political strife, such as last week's assassination of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, revaluation of key European currencies and France's freeze on certain profits and prices.

"These factors incite one to leave one's country and come to the United States," said Michael Stevens, a British real estate developer who is building a 32-story condominium complex in New York.

The Commerce Department reports foreign investment in the United States totaled \$9.9 billion last year, including \$1.6 billion for the acquisition of property and \$1.1 billion in related real estate investments.

The headlines usually focus on industrial investments by foreigners — among this year's deals, the \$2.5 billion acquisition of Texas Gulf Inc. by the French-government controlled Societe Nationale Elf-Aquitaine,

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Oil discovered in north Angola

LISBON, Oct. 12 (R) — The French oil company Elf Aquitaine has discovered a new offshore oilfield in Angola, enhancing the prospects for exploration being carried out there, the official news agency Angop reported this weekend.

Angop said the well, with a production capacity of 5,000 barrels a day, is showing the highest yield so far in the waters south of the Zaire estuary, northern Angola, being explored by Western companies. The find is important because the Elf well is the southernmost point at which oil has been discovered off the Angola coast, according to industry sources.

Most of Angola's daily production of some 130,000 barrels comes from further north in the enclave of Cabinda sandwiched between Zaire and Congo. It is on the basis of expected oil strikes south of the Zaire estuary that Angolan Oil Minister Jorge de Morais has predicted his country's crude output will total more than 300,000 barrels per day by 1985, according to Western oil experts in Luanda.

France hikes interest on passbook savings

PARIS, Oct. 12 (AP) — French officials said Monday interest paid on passbook saving accounts would be increased by one percent to 8.5 percent starting Oct. 15.

The move, designed to offset part of the erosion caused by inflation — currently 14 percent — is in line with pledges by Premier Pierre Mauroy's Socialist government.

The ceiling on passbook accounts, however, will remain at 49,000 francs (\$8,909). Each member of a family is authorized one such saving account.

Because of higher interest offered on time deposits, savings banks have lost 5 billion francs (\$1 billion) since the beginning of the year. However, the government now has imposed measures such as minimum deposit of 500,000 francs (\$90,000) to get market related rates.

Bangladesh pins hopes on Cancun summit

DACCA, Oct. 12 (AP) — For woefully poor Bangladesh, the North-South economic summit conference this month in Mexico will be one of the most important meetings of the century.

"On the statesmanship of the leaders that are meeting in Cancun will depend to a large extent the future stability of the world," says Foreign Secretary Humayun Rashed Choudhury. Twenty-two world leaders will meet at the Mexican seaside resort of Cancun Oct. 22-23 to consider the relationship between the affluent industrialized nations of the north and underdeveloped countries generally occupying the southern areas.

The southern areas will be pressing for a greater share of the north's wealth. Developing countries say they are subsidizing the industrialized world's economy with their exports of cheap raw materials and imports of expensive finished products from the north.

Bangladesh is among the poorest of the poor. Poverty is everywhere in this South Asian nation, part of Pakistan until it became independent with the aid of India's military forces in 1971. "The per-capita income of 1,992 takas (\$105) per annum is an indicator of many kinds of deprivation," Planning Minister Fasihuddin Mahtab wrote last spring.

"It is estimated that over three-fourths of the population are below the internationally accepted poverty line," he said. "About 30 percent of the labor force is unemployed, while 50 percent of the rural population has no land or less than one acre (0.4 hectare) from which to scratch a living."

Like many other developing countries, Bangladesh suffers from declining imports of raw materials from the industrial world. Jute is the country's major export, and 90 percent of it goes to the United States for carpet backing. The recent slowdown in the U.S. housing industry seriously affects Bangladesh's economy.

Meanwhile, Bangladesh must import most items. In the 1980 fiscal year, it paid more than three times as much for its imports than it earned from its exports — \$2.35 billion to \$719 million, according to U.S. Department

of Commerce figures.

The country is also facing a reduction in foreign food aid. With a population of 90 million and growing by 2.7 percent a year, Bangladesh stresses agriculture over industrial development.

A "high-yield" style of farming introduced in recent years has boosted production, and a massive canal-building project — in which farmers donate their labor in a "food-for-work" program — has eased the dependency of the annual monsoon rains. Bangladesh harvested a record 14.3 million tons of rice during the fiscal year that ended June 30.

So food-donor nations and agencies have reduced by about 1 million tons the amount of rice they otherwise would have sent as aid. That cost the government cash income, since it would have sold the free grain to the public through ration shops.

The government also had to buy more rice from farmers to keep the price up, and then had to build hundreds of new warehouses. In all, the record harvest cost the government the equivalent of about \$105 million. Partly due to the rice problem and partly to inflation, over-enthusiastic development programs and other problems, Bangladesh found itself in deficit as the fiscal year drew to a close, government leaders said recently. So the government borrowed the needed money from local banks.

Because that was highly inflationary, the International Monetary Fund, a specialized agency of the United Nations, held up scheduled payments under a \$1 billion aid agreement to force corrective measures, officials said. The government responded by slashing public spending 15 percent and tightening up on bank credit.

With 57 percent of its total budget and about 90 percent of its development budget coming from foreign aid, Bangladesh qualifies as one of the world's most aid-dependent nations. As such, it sees itself as a spokesman for the least-developed countries. Bangladesh officials, however, say they will not go to Cancun with a set of demands. They will be

seeking an understanding that poverty is a global problem, and an agreement to attack it on a global basis.

"We hope there will be a 'go sign,'" said Masud Ahmed, a member of the Bangladesh delegation. "We want a green light to proceed with the U.N. negotiations." For two years now, the world's poorer nations have been trying to get the richer ones to implement a U.N. call for serious debate on a new world development plan.

Bangladesh will make its case at Cancun without the dynamic President Ziaur Rahman, who was assassinated May 30 in an unsuccessful coup attempt by an army faction. The country's delegation will be led by acting President Abdus Sattar, 75, a former supreme court justice.

London stock market

LONDON, Oct. 12 (R) — Share prices closed broadly lower as sterling weakness unsettled the market in a quiet and cautious start to the new account, dealers said. At 1500 hours, the Financial Times was down 4.5 at 493.7.

Leading industrials fell between 2p and 5p. Unilever, Grand Met, Boots, ICI and Metal box, while Hawker Siddeley ended 12p lower at 288p. Glaxo was up 6p at 400p. It reported higher future year profits after the close of official trading. Gold shares fluctuated with the bullion price to close mixed, while US shares were higher.

Government bonds closed with falls of up to ¼ point as sterling weakness reversed the initial firm tendency prompted by lower US interest rates, dealers said. Trading was quiet, they added, noting that in early business the government broker supplied part of the 12 percent treasury 1987 stock at 84½.

Electricals closed lower after a firm start, with Gec down 13p at 687p and falls of 5p and 6p respectively in Plessey and Thorn. Oils retreated to close with losses of 8p apiece in BP and Shell. Grindlay was a firm feature among generally lower banks, up 14p at 210p amid renewed bid speculation, while insurances ended with falls ranging to 10p.

U.K. bank acts to shore up sliding pound

LONDON, Oct. 12 (AFP) — The Bank of England intervened here Monday to halt a run against sterling which fell to \$1.874 from 1.915 despite the dollar's weakness.

Although there were hopes of a drop in U.S. interest rates, sterling suffered from a growing revolt within the Conservative Party against Premier Margaret Thatcher's "monetarist" policy. Any easing of this policy was bound to hit the currency, dealers noted. After the Bank of England's support, sterling rose to \$1.8825. The dollar dipped from 2.189 marks to 2.16 and then recovered to 2.18.

Meanwhile, the dollar, fell back again against key world currencies in trading Monday after another cut in U.S. interest rates. The price of gold also fell slightly.

Money market dealers noted that the dollar, which has slipped for most of the last two weeks, will remain weak for some time amid indications U.S. interest rates will fall further.

In Tokyo, where the business day ends before Europe's begins, the dollar closed at 226.55 yen, down from Friday's 228.50-yen.

The price of gold eased. In Zurich, it was \$452.50 an ounce, one dollar down from Friday.

In London, it was \$453.50, 75 cents up on Friday's close.

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 12 (AP) — Striking dock workers brought this northwest England port to a standstill Monday in a dispute over whether more than two extra men should be allowed to help unload cargo.

Work was halted on more than 20 ships, at least half of them foreign vessels, and others were diverted from the usually busy port. Half the port's 3,500 registered longshoremen voted Sunday for an indefinite strike because of the staffing dispute.

Last week, 400 longshoremen walked off the job after management refused to assign more than two extra men to a four-man crew unloading a collapsed storage of butter. Six men were detailed for the work, but the longshoremen wanted eight.

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SOLAR-POWERED TV: At the Fera 81 Exhibition held in Zurich recently for new radio, TV and hi-fi inventions, the Salora TV was on display, a Finnish solar-powered set. It transmits solar energy through a 12 volt battery, similar to a car battery. This produces enough energy for two hours viewing, or with artificial lighting, seven to eight hours. Picture shows the Salora solar-powered set, the first of its kind to be made.

Debate on bill today

Loopholes may dilute French takeover

PARIS, Oct. 12 (R) — The French Socialist government's big nationalization program reaches its final political hurdle this week and there are signs that it may have miscalculated some of the consequences of its radical policy.

The bill, which includes the state takeover of big private banks and five industrial groups, goes before the national assembly Tuesday and there is little doubt that the Socialist-dominated house will approve it.

But a series of hasty revisions and uncertainty over the legal implications have led economists and some government supporters to suggest that the Socialists failed to think through all their measures.

Some economists forecast that the bill, to be put to the vote after a two-week debate, will bring a torrent of law suits of such complexity that international lawyers could still be arguing their cases at the end of President Francois Mitterrand's seven-year term.

The government wants its takeover program drawn up in opposition and given priority since the elections last May, to help to unleash forces for economic renewal that it believes have been pent up under private ownership. Under the program, the state will

control 95 percent of the country's credit system and most of its aluminum, glass, steel and chemical industries.

Mitterrand, defending the policy Friday, compared himself with the late President Charles de Gaulle. "I am doing for nationalization what Gen. De Gaulle did for the nuclear strike force. I am equipping France with its economic strike force," he told reporters on board the presidential plane.

The takeover plan met its first obstacle in September when the council of state, which advises on new legislation, advised against several provisions. The government rejected the council's advice that it was discriminating in favor of foreign banks by not nationalizing them together with French ones.

But it accepted a suggestion it should change its compensation formula to include a calculation reflecting company's assets and profits rather than just share values, this made the nationalization program more expensive than the government had bargained for.

The bill then faced scrutiny by a parliamentary committee that threw out article 33, an important clause under which two big holding companies due to be nationalized would return to the private sector their interests in

companies not on the takeover list.

The Socialist-dominated committee, which also considered 1,500 proposed amendments, said the article presented legal problems. But political analysts regard the decision as a 'backdoor' attempt by Socialist parliamentarians to impose wider nationalization than the government wants. As well as banking interests, one of the holding companies, the Compagnie Financiere de Paris et Des Pays Bas (Paribas), controls and estimated \$3 billion francs (\$1.45 billion) of stock.

Prime Minister Pierre Mauroy, under pressure to keep a tight grip on spending after the franc devaluation last week, said Thursday the government would stick to its plans for Paribas and the other holding company, Compagnie Financiere de Suez.

Critics say the government has seriously underestimated the international repercussions of the program, pointing out that the parent companies of the industrial group being taken over have extensive multinational interests.

Foreign governments and businessmen may not be happy to see local subsidiaries pass under French state control and could resort to legal action, they say.

Supply plutonium, U.S. asks Britain

LONDON, Oct. 12 (AFP) — The United States has asked Britain to sell it plutonium to meet the needs of its expanding nuclear program, the Guardian newspaper reported here Monday.

Reporting that the request had been confirmed by unidentified British government sources, the Guardian said that it was unclear exactly what type of plutonium the Americans wanted from Britain.

The newspaper added that nuclear specialists have expressed surprise at the request, if only because the only type of nuclear reactor which can use plutonium as a fuel is a fast breeder, and the U.S. fast breeder program is supposed to be only at an experimental stage.

U.S., EEC split over import curbs

GENEVA, Oct. 12 (LOS) — Europe's hard-pressed rag trade is alarmed by the pugnacious attitude of Third World exporters at negotiations in Geneva to renew the multilateral arrangement, which governs world trade in textiles and clothing.

The arrangement, known as the MFA, was established in 1973 and renewed in 1977. It has been a bulwark of international trade, allowing orderly growth in an industry which is one of the largest employers of low-skilled labor in both rich and poor countries. Failure to reach agreement on a new MFA could have crippling results.

A week-long session of negotiations here last month failed to clear the way to compromise and a final session is to begin Nov. 18. It will go on until December end, if necessary.

The European Common Market and the United States are split over the nature of controls on imports from the Third World, although both want the controls to be tougher.

The main difference between the community and the U.S. revolves around the 'reasonable departures' clause contained in the 1977 MFA. The clause allows the community to

plead injury to some producers to justify departure from a key MFA provision guaranteeing a minimum 6 percent annual growth to Third World exporters.

The U.S. wants to eliminate the clause, replacing it with another allowing importers to reduce growth rates under 'exceptional circumstances.' The implication of the U.S. proposal, unpalatable to the EEC, is that growth rates may be cut to below 6 percent but must always remain positive. The EEC wants the right to impose negative growth rates if deemed necessary.

In other areas, the U.S. and EEC positions are not so far apart. Both sides agree, for example, that much stiffer punishments are needed to stamp out fraudulent circumvention of import quotas by traders who channel products to the EEC through other industrialized nations with free trade accords with the EEC.

They also agree that producers in poorer developing countries should get a better deal to promote exports than producers in places like Singapore, Hong Kong and Taiwan, who already sell damagingly large quantities to both the EEC and the U.S.

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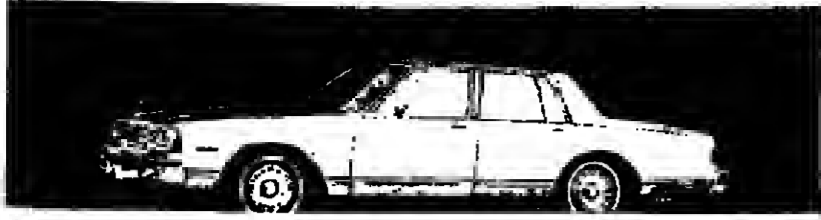
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Workers to strike over food in Poland

WARSAW, Oct. 12 (AFP) — Workers in 40 concerns at Piotrkow Trybunalski, 130 kms southwest of here, are to undertake a 24-hour strike Tuesday to protest against shortages of rationed foodstuffs and other items, union sources said Monday.

The local branch of the independent trade union Solidarity, as it ordered the 24-hour stoppage, also threatened to call an unlimited strike and occupation of work premises on Oct. 20. Solidarity sources in Piotrkow Trybunalski said.

The branch, which had a series of inconclusive meetings with regional authorities in the town last week, said that supplies of such rationed items as meat, sugar, cereal-based products, cigarettes, liquor and detergents were insufficient to cover ration tickets already issued.

Solidarity demanded in addition that a government commission be sent to deal with the crisis, failing which it would call a strike of workers on prepared list of 40 concerns.

At the same time the union Monday announced a general "state of strike preparedness" throughout the area. Meanwhile, Solidarity's executive bureau was meeting in Gdansk Monday to discuss the situation at Piotrkow Trybunalski.

Though the bureau's full establishment of 12 members is still one short, Solidarity leader Lech Walesa decided to go ahead and convene it now — postponing a meeting of the national commission, or KK, the union's supreme governing body, that was to have appointed a 12th member to the bureau.

At their opening session Thursday, the 107 members of the KK ratified the principle that the presidents of the six largest regional branches of the union should automatically sit on the executive bureau. But when the session broke up the KK had voted in 11 out of the 12 members of the bureau and were due to meet later to bring the list up to full strength.

Monday's meeting of the bureau appeared all the more crucial in that a plenum of the Polish Communist Party's central committee is expected to convene Wednesday to define the party's ideological position in the light of the program Solidarity adopted at its congress this autumn.

The date of the plenum meeting has yet to be announced officially, and a decision on the matter is expected after Tuesday's meeting of the Politburo.

Meanwhile, two touring Polish pop pianists were expelled from East Germany Saturday for wearing Solidarity trade union badges, the West German news agency DPA reported from Hamburg Sunday.

The two musicians, known as "Marek and Verek", said on their arrival in Hamburg that they were told of their expulsions and of the cancellation of their remaining concerts Saturday night by the director-general of the East German artists' agency, Herrmann Falk.

The duet, which plays a repertoire of pop hits and modernized versions of classical masterpieces, openly sported their Solidarity buttons at six concerts during their East German tour. They said Sunday that this had been seen as a "provocation" by part of the East German public.

Walesa to visit France

PARIS, Oct. 12 (AFP) — Lech Walesa, head of Poland's free trade union Solidarity, will arrive here Wednesday at the head of a delegation for a week-long visit at the invitation of all French trade unions. It will be his first trip abroad as head of Solidarity — he already has visited Vatican City, Tokyo and West Berlin.

Walesa is so far not scheduled to meet any government officials or party leaders, but will go to northern France where there is a 90-strong Polish community centered on coal mines. Last week French Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson met Walesa in law, the first foreign official to meet him in the Polish capital.



WEST GERMAN PROTEST: A water cannon sends its jet over a fence near Frankfurt International Airport where more than 10,000 demonstrators gathered Sunday to protest the planned enlargement of the airport by a further runway. Police used water cannons after the demonstrators attacked the fence.

Frankfurt airport protesters injured

MOERFELDEN, West Germany, Oct. 12 (AFP) — Three persons were seriously injured in clashes Sunday night between police and demonstrators opposing the enlargement of the Frankfurt International Airport. Several persons were arrested, including a city councillor from Moerfelden, a town near the airport.

Close to 10,000 persons demonstrated to protest the planned enlargement of the air-

port. The demonstrators then headed on to a village of wooden huts set up by protesters along the construction site of a new runway, where they celebrated a religious mass. The environmental protest movement has charged that the extension would ruin most of the beautiful forests in the region.

Early last week, some 5,000 ecologists peacefully occupied a 250-hectare area to

prevent the start of work on the new airport runway. They were removed without incident by police, while workers erected a wall to block off the construction site.

Sunday, police used tear gas and water cannons to ward off about 100 demonstrators who allegedly tried to destroy a wall around a forest scheduled for leveling as part of the enlargement project.

Italians oppose missile base

COMISO, Sicily, Oct. 12 (AP) — Some 10,000 persons marched Sunday in a demonstration organized by the Italian Communist Party to protest Italy's decision to deploy 110 nuclear-tipped Cruise missiles here.

"We say 'no' to the idea of Sicily as a nuclear outpost between East and West," demonstrators said. They marched five kilometers from the airport where the missiles are to be housed to the center of town. There were no incidents.

"We will ask the Italian government to suspend its decision to construct a nuclear base here," said Pio La Torre, secretary of the Italian Communist Party for Sicily.

The Italian government has approved a plan to deploy the controversial medium-range U.S. built missiles at the Magliocco Airport in this town in southeastern Sicily. The missiles are not expected to be installed

before 1984.

In Bonn, West Germany, more than 250,000 persons gathered at an anti-war demonstration Saturday. It was billed as a protest against the arms race in both the East and the West, but the chief target appeared to be the December 1979 decision by NATO to deploy U.S. made Cruise and Pershing II missiles in Western Europe.

Opposition leader Helmut Kohl said that protesters in the Saturday rally sought the destruction of West Germany and gave a false picture of their nation. In an address to members of his Christian Democratic Union in Mannheim, Kohl said he did not want to "throw all the demonstrators into one pot." But "tens of thousands are the stooges of Moscow and desire the destruction of the West German Republic," Kohl said.

Kohl accused Chancellor Helmut Schmidt of "not checking dangerous developments."

U.K. migrant plan proposed

LONDON, Oct. 12 (AFP) — A voluntary resettlement scheme for colored migrants intended to reduce racial tension in Britain has been proposed by the right-wing Monday Club.

The group Monday suggested a 10-point program for orderly resettlement of some 100,000 citizens from the Commonwealth and Pakistan each year over a long period. In addition, all further immigration would be stopped. The initial cost of the resettlement scheme would be borne by Britain's overseas aid budget, according to the proposal.

Under the plan, the Foreign Office would negotiate bilateral agreements with countries from the Commonwealth and Pakistan, including resettlement quotas. Applicants could claim the costs of travel, baggage and removal allowances. A resettlement grant would be paid and national insurance contributions reimbursed.

Britain, in cooperation with the home government, would provide resettlement training, help to establish small businesses in the home country and to provide suitable accommodation.

Czech-Angolan amity pact signed

PRAGUE, Oct. 12 (Agencies) — Angola and Czechoslovakia Monday signed a friendship and cooperation treaty before the departure of Angolan President Jose Eduardo Dos Santos after a three-day visit, the Czechoslovak CTK agency reported.

The treaty, signed by Dos Santos and Czechoslovak President Gustav Husak, sets the seal on relations between the two countries, which were already covered by trade, scientific, technical and cultural cooperation agreements since 1978.

CTK said other agreements had been signed Monday on "a plan for the execution of the 'ultra-accord' on credit, and on

energy and industrial cooperation. The treaty with Angola is the fourth to be signed by Prague this year. Previous pacts were with Afghanistan, Ethiopia and South Yemen.

Dos Santos, who earlier visited Libya, Bulgaria and Hungary, left Prague later for a three-day visit to East Germany. He will then go on to France and North Korea.

East German Chairman Erich Honecker led a high-level delegation which welcomed Dos Santos at East Berlin's Schoenefeld Airport. The official ADN news agency said Honecker "fraternally embraced" the Angolan leader after he descended the gangplank from his chartered plane.

Dog adopts three orphan lion cubs

KRUGER PARK, South Africa, Oct. 12 (AP) — A three-year-old bull terrier bitch has been mothering three orphan lion cubs in this national park, a park spokesman confirmed Monday. The Johannesburg Star reported the terrier, Tessa, guards the cubs, washes them, sleeps with them, plays with them and even nurses them.

The cubs' mother was shot by park rangers in self-defense nine weeks ago, the Star said. Chief ranger Johan Van Graan, accompanied by his three dogs, visited the scene of the shooting. "A blood trail led us to a secluded lair where we found the three cubs,

only a few days old, lying helpless," Van Graan said.

Tessa immediately began guarding the cubs, baring her teeth at the other two dogs, Van Graan said. "It was love at first sight and I took them home," he added.

Van Graan began feeding the cubs fresh and powdered milk and after about four weeks Tessa developed her own milk. Van Graan said the cubs now are as big as their foster mother, and their diet has been supplemented with bits of tenderized meat. Van Graan, his wife, Kotie, and their four children have named the cubs Shuma, Jane and Lady.

Leaflets call for ousting of regime in Peking

PEKING, Oct. 12 (AFP) — Four persons appeared before a court last month in Shanghai for having distributed leaflets calling for the overthrow of the Communist regime, it was learned here Monday.

Transcripts of Shanghai Radio broadcasts made available here Monday said that the "main offender", Chen Cairning, 43, was a former rebel leader during the cultural revolution in Shanghai. He was accused of having distributed some 300 "reactionary" leaflets in 120 places in Shanghai between Sept. 17 and 21, together with his accomplices Xie Hering, Chen Qili and Zha Wenlin.

The radio said that the four had decided to set up a "reactionary" organization to "overthrow Communist Party leadership", and that the leaflets contained a public announcement from the organization and its program.

The radio said that the four had been arrested and brought before a court thanks to public cooperation with the police. The radio added that the police had seized printing machines and several hundred undistributed leaflets from the homes of the four charged men.

Meanwhile, the People's Daily newspaper said Monday that "sabotage" of electrical installations in the first nine months of this year cost the Chinese state 12 million yuan (\$6.6 million). This figure did not include damage from the many power failures which followed looting of cable and telegraph poles.

The newspaper said that between January and August nearly 12,000 cases of theft of electrical cable and other equipment had been discovered in 24 Chinese provinces. In north China theft of high-tension cable and telegraph poles had caused damage estimated at nearly 30 million yuan (\$15.5 million) over the last two years.

Good Morning

By Jihad Al Khazen

Here are some items from my Alternative News Service. No need for me to tell you why you need it now. You know you do, I know you do. So here's the harvest of the day.

First, from our Believe it or Not department. Unemployment in Italy is as bad as it is in the rest of the industrialized world. That's why when a certain restaurant in Napoli advertised for a vacancy, two young men of equal qualifications applied most insistently for the job. The manager didn't know what to do. So the two men, evidently youngsters of high caliber as well as perhaps desperation for the job, decided to settle the matter through mortal combat.

This they did, and one of them died in the knife fight. The detail they overlooked as they made their agreement was that the death was no more, no less, than murder, so that the winner was arrested and is now awaiting trial. The restaurant is advertising the job again.

(You thought the Alternative News Service was a happy one? Are you kidding?)

The second item comes to you straight from London Airport, where Raymond Eden, a high official in the customs department, saw fit to give his considered views on the distinct difference in ability between men and women when it comes to the ancient custom of smuggling.

Men, said the expert, are no good at the thing at all. All you have to do to catch the miscreant is watch for the sweat and shifts in the eyes and then make your challenge — and presto, all the goodies come tumbling down.

In the case of the women, however, this won't do at all. Cool as cucumber, they are, the expert said. All innocence and sweet smiles. You can't spot 'em. You have either to have a prior tip or be very lucky indeed. What's more, international smuggling gangs have wised up to the abilities of the female sex in this field, so that more and more are being used as couriers.

Ladies, please don't even contemplate it. It doesn't pay.

Translated from Ashraf Al-Awsat

Editor held in Malaysia

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct. 12 (AP) — The editor of the Malay newspaper *Watan* was arrested under the Internal Security Act Monday on suspicion of allowing his paper to be used to spread "Communist propaganda," a Home Affairs Ministry statement said.

The statement said that editor Abdul Halim Mahmud was arrested as he left his home for the office Monday morning. He has worked for the newspaper for five years. Under the security law he can be held without trial indefinitely.

While the investigation continues, the fortnightly newspaper will be allowed to continue publication, the statement added. Communism is banned in Malaysia and other editors have been arrested for alleged Communist activities over the years.

The publisher of the newspaper is former Malaysian ambassador to the United States, Muhammad Khir Johari. He also is a former cabinet minister and a member of the ruling United Malays National Organization Party.

Ulcers drug developed

LONDON, Oct. 12 (AFP) — Glaxo, the pharmaceutical group, Monday announced a new product to beat ulcers, which it said was five or six times more potent than existing ulcer treatments.

The product "heals up to 90 percent of ulcers in four weeks with no adverse effects", Glaxo said. Details of the new drug will be released Tuesday.

Clashes hit Greek campaign

ATHENS, Oct. 12 (AFP) — A shift in Greece's political power and a resulting period of instability appear increasingly likely, observers said, as intense verbal, and even some physical clashes have been reported in the campaign to next Sunday's general elections.

The sources said Andreas Papandreu's opposition Panhellenic Socialist movement could become Greece's leading party for the first time since it was formed six years ago. But, they added, it was doubtful that the party could gain an absolute majority in the 300-seat parliament.

The ruling New Democracy Party expects to lose 30 of its 175 seats in parliament, party insiders said. That shift in power could mean a period of instability in Greece, with new elections within a year, because of the opposite views of Greece's two major parties and the unlikelihood of coalition rule.

The campaign which began on Sept. 20, heated up abruptly this weekend in clashes between members of Prime Minister George Rallis' New Democracy Party and supporters of Papandreu's Panhellenic Socialists at Heraklion, on the southern island of Crete, the site of a large United States military base.

Responsibility for the incidents has not been firmly established, but the pro-government press played them up on its front pages Monday. The opposition press played them down, noting that the Socialists also had condemned the violence.

Meanwhile, Deputy Premier and Defense Minister Evangelos Averoff, known as a fervent anti-Socialist, stepped into the verbal war, with a virulent campaign against what he has called foreign interference in the campaign.

In a statement Sunday night, Averoff condemned the arrival of Spanish Socialist Workers' Party head Felipe Gonzalez to campaign for Papandreu, and the upcoming visit of former Swedish Social-Democratic Prime Minister Olof Palme.

The deputy premier had earlier condemned the Socialists' use of actress Melina Mercouri and French Culture Minister Jack Lang, who both came as guests of the party. Averoff has not flinched at using personal attacks, pointing out that Papandreu was in the United States during World War II and the regime of the Greek colonels, which lasted from 1967 to 1974.

Natural air purifiers

MOSCOW, Oct. 12 (AFP) — Vines, blackberry bushes and cherry and almond trees are the most effective natural air purifiers, Soviet scientists have established.

Novosti news agency reported Monday that these varieties had been planted along roads in new quarters of the Georgian capital of Tbilisi. A further 2,000 of these trees and bushes are to be planted around the city to purify the atmosphere by absorbing toxic gases.

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